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OPTIMISM REIGNS IN TAIWAN

Recovery of mainland considered possible NEW CABINET FORMED

Taipeh, March 11.

Nationalists now talk of recovering the China mainland as if it is only a matter of course. They are prepared for a long war.

They are counting heavily on corrosion from within Red territory to help them in their struggle.

Warning on water shortage

Further restrictions in the Colony's fresh water supply may be enforced—depending on the amount of rainfall experienced in the next two months and an public co-operation.

Average daily consumption is still 33,000,000 gallons supplied through filter beds having a total capacity of only 41,000,000 gallons a day.

Unless the public co-operate fully by avoiding wastage of water and utilising rain to fill the Colony's 9,700,000-gallon-capacity reservoirs, additional restrictions on supply will become necessary. It is officially learned.

In addition to its present water saving campaign facilities—various broadcasting appeals to the public to avoid wastage—the authorities concerned are preparing a short film to be screened in theatres, schools, and other suitable public places.

New scheme

Hong Kong has 13 reservoirs. These are filled mainly by the South-West monsoon rains between May and September as rainfall in the other months of the year is low.

VIETMINH MOBILISATION

Saigon, March 11.—The Vietminh radio last night announced a decree issued by Ho Chi-minh (Communist Indo-Chinese insurgent leader), "mobilising all Vietnamese between 18 and 45 except those with fixed or infirm relatives to support."

All who disobey will be punished, the radio announcement added. The "mobilisation" order applied equally to regions controlled by Vietminh forces or French forces.

The Weather

At 0800 GMT (2 p.m. HKST), an anticyclone over China is increasing in intensity and spreading Southward and Eastward over the adjacent seas. A depression is moving ENE across SE Japan and descending. A smaller depression is moving SE across the Pacific. (Data by Forecast—Moderate SE winds. Clouds with bright intervals during the day. Slight cold.)

Every report of economic distress or dissidence on the mainland is studied closely by top officials, who believe that things are working more and more in their favour.

Much store is laid on the support of anti-Communist forces on the mainland if the day ever comes when Nationalist regulars invade it.

Many of these forces were Nationalist troops left behind to continue the struggle as guerrillas.

Some are peasants who have revolted against Red rule generally, and particularly against excessive requisitioning of food. Others are former Nationalist troops who have found brigandage more profitable than service under the Reds.

Still others are long-time bandits, such as a powerful gang in the South China province of Kwangtung which calls itself the "Gentlemen of the Green Forests." Although many of the dissidents on the mainland are not pro-Nationalist—they are as violently anti-Communist as they are anti-Nationalist as they are anti-Communist—their activities, conducted as they are in Red territory, operate to the general advantage of the Nationalists.

Unification

Plans are under way, however, to unite all elements opposed to the Communists and if possible co-ordinate their activities.

A formal conference to this end was recently held by guerrilla chieftains from the mainland on Chusan Island, Nationalist blockade base South of Shanghai.

In some provinces, anti-Communist forces are under the overall command of persons appointed by the Nationalist Government. Their identities have not been divulged.

Meanwhile, official reports claimed Nationalist guerrillas in for hinterland areas bordering Tibet have retaken three more towns.

These successes followed the recapture on March 5 of Kangting (Nanshiu), capital of Sikang Province.

The three towns were listed as Luning and Tanpa, both in Sikang, and Chingning in Szechwan. Shanghai officials responsible for these successes are remnants of Nationalist armies in West China which made a long, hard trek to Sikang, there to continue the fight against the Reds.

Sikang is the base of two Nationalist guerrilla route armies who claim that aborigines in the provinces are giving them wholehearted support in their struggle.

The Nationalists today reported fresh air blows in support of their invasion-threatened Chusan Islands.

Air Headquarters announced that Mitchell bombers and Mustang fighters yesterday attacked shipping around the Communist-held islands of the Chusan Archipelago, 100 miles South-East of Shanghai. Three big junks and numerous small craft were reported sunk.

The Communists have captured a few minor islands in the Chusan group, but the principal ones are held by the Nationalists who use them as a base for their blockade of the Red China coast.

President Chiang Kai-shek returned to Taipei yesterday from a visit to South Western Taiwan, where he inspected naval, military and air establishments.

During his tour, Chiang addressed a naval conference which discussed measures for more effective action against the Reds.

Captain Chen is now the only naval officer holding this decoration.

New Cabinet

Premier Chen Cheng's Cabinet line-up announced today, is as follows:

Deputy Premier—Chang Li-sheng, ex-Minister of the Interior.
Defence Minister—Yu Ta-wei, ex-Communications Minister.
Minister of the Interior—Yu Chin-tang, ex-Party Minister of Organisation.

Finance Minister—Yen Chia-kun, ex-Minister of Economic Affairs.
Minister of Education—Cheng Tien-fan, ex-Party Minister of Information.
Minister of Economic Affairs—Cheng Tiao-ju, ex-Secretary to General Fu Tiao-yl.

Minister of Communications—Ho Chung-han, ex-Labour Bureau Director.
Minister of Justice—Lin Pin, ex-Grand Justice.
Comptroller-General—General Chen Liang, ex-Communications Minister.

Secretary-General—Huang Shao-ku, Generalissimo's ex-chief Secretary.

The Foreign Minister, Mr. George Yeh, and the Communist sioners for Mongolia, Tibet and Overseas Affairs, and the Deputy Secretary-General remain in their posts.

Seven ministers without portfolio were: Mr. K. C. Wu, Taiwan Governor, Tsai Pao-hua (Taiwanese), Wang Ta-chin (Yunnan), Wan Hung-tu (Social Democratic Party), Huang Chih-lu, ex-Chancellor of the Szechuan University, Tung Wen-chi, ex-Mayor of Mukden, and Tien Chung-sheng.

The above named will be appointed by presidential mandate tomorrow.—Reuters and Associated Press.

BOMB BLAST IN BELFAST

Belfast, Northern Ireland, March 11.—A bomb exploded near a Belfast police station yesterday, shattering windows in neighbouring houses. No persons were reported to have been injured.

Police said it was the second mystery bombing this week. A police sergeant was hurt on Wednesday when a bomb exploded at the entrance of another police station.—Associated Press.

Hang it! Suicide costs money

Tokyo, March 11.—Japan's most popular "suicide resort," Atami, 50 miles South West of Tokyo, may introduce a municipal "burial rate" to dispose of suicides' dead bodies.

Atami City Councilors are concerned following the January-February toll of 80 cases of suicide, many of which were "shinjus" (lovers' suicides), bringing the undischarged total to considerably more.

The City Fathers found that the burial of unclaimed suicides' dead bodies was a continual drain on the city coffers, taking more than one million yen in January and February.

One Councilor pointed out that many of the suicide-takers from Atami's cliffs unfortunately did not leap far enough, and sometimes hung suspended several days on the edge of the cliffs.

This, he claimed, was an additional expense for the City, necessitating the services of sometimes 30 cliff climbers, and workers to get the bodies down.

The Council decided against putting up a bell to warn people of suicides, spending with people not to take the final step.

One Councilor pointed out that the most favored suicide spots were also the most beautiful and scenic spots in the area, and that the sight of dead bodies hanging from cliffs would be a disgrace to the city.

The King opens Parliament



Brilliant spring sunshine sparkled on the jewelled turrets of peeresses and the ceremonial trappings of six-foot-tall British army guardsmen as King George VI opened Parliament with all the pomp and glitter of pre-war years. Londoners raised thunderous cheers along the Royal coach's route from Buckingham Palace to the Houses of Parliament as King George and his Queen passed. Photo shows the King and Queen returning in the famed Irish State Coach to Buckingham Palace after the opening.—(AP Photo).

Pre-election fighting flares up in Brussels

Brussels, March 11.

Gangster-like raids, with bullets, home-made bombs and flaming arrows, flared up in Brussels less than 24 hours before the Belgian station votes on whether to restore King Leopold to the throne.

Four attacks were made on the headquarters of the Socialist Party—which opposes Leopold's return—in Brussels last night. In one attack, men tightly packed in a jeep, and with an escort of three cars, fired flaming arrows at a huge placard urging the people to vote against the King's return. One arrow plunged into the poster, but caused little damage.

An hour later, six men in a jeep—Socialists said they were wearing army uniforms—past the building. Revolver shots were fired and windows shattered. Later, small home-made bombs were thrown at the building from a speeding car. They caused no damage.

Tear-gas bombs were handed round to Belgian gendarmes today in case of trouble. In tomorrow's vote. All police leave was cancelled and gendarmes and troops are to be confined to barracks until further notice.

Govt. appeal

The coalition government has appealed for "calm and order" by the 6,000,000 people—who will say "yes" or "no" to the question: "Shall Leopold be invited back to the throne?"

The King's daughter, 22-year-old Princess Josephine Charlotte, was mobbed by 3,000 people when she arrived at Brussels airport from Switzerland last night to cast her vote. The King is living in self-exile in Switzerland.

Tomorrow, every Belgian over the age of 21—making an electorate of 5,100,000—must go to the polls or incur a fine of \$2. Their vote is not necessarily binding, but Leopold has agreed to retire in favour of his 19-year-old son, Prince Baudouin if he fails to secure 55 per cent of the votes.—Reuters.

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Russians going to polls today

Moscow, March 11.

Millions of voters throughout the Soviet Union will be going tomorrow to elect 1,302 members of the bicameral Supreme Soviet, or National Parliament.

As they cast their votes for Marshal Stalin (their Prime Minister), other key members of the Government, or a host of candidates who include the country's foremost scientists, writers, artists, farmers, and workers—in diverse trades, they will be giving their verdict upon the Communist Party.

For Marshal Stalin told the people when the first elections were held under the new constitution in 1937, that the Communist Party goes on trial before the nation on polling day and the election results are the people's judgment.

In other words, heavy returns in favour of the party lists are considered as a national vote of confidence in the Soviet system. This is the third time in 14 years that Soviet voters are going to the polls in general elections. Previous general elections were held in 1937 and 1940, when more than 95 per cent of the electorate recorded their votes. In both previous national elections, campaigning reached its climax on the night before Election Day when Marshal Stalin addressed the voters in the Stalin district in Moscow, where he was standing for election.

Although elected to four years, the first Supreme Soviet, elected in 1937, remained in office for eight years, serving through the war years when no elections were held.

The first post-war Supreme Soviet was elected in February, 1946. Then, the Soviet Union's most urgent problem was recovery and in his pre-election speech, Marshal Stalin outlined the five-year national reconstruction programme which ends this year.

At the same time, Stalin set major long term goals for the national economy.

Big plans

"We must achieve a situation," he said, "in which our industry can produce annually up to 60 million tons of pig iron, up to 60 million tons of steel, up to 600 million tons of coal and up to 80 million tons of oil. Only on that condition can we consider that our homeland will be guaranteed against all possible accidents."

That will take three more five-year plans, I should think. If not more. But it can be done, and we must do it.

This year's general election is being held at a time when the plan for the first post-war five-year plan have been completed. The 1946 programme remains as the collective goal for the national economy.

EXTRADITION OF WESTERLING WANTED

Djakarta, March 11.

Indonesia would regret the attitude of the British Government in refusing to extradite Captain "Purvis" Westerling from Singapore, the Prime Minister, Dr. Mohamed Hatta, told Parliament today.—Reuters.

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HK POPULATION CONTINUING TO INCREASE

Hong Kong's population, officially estimated nine months ago at 1,800,000, today exceeds 2,000,000, according to unofficial estimates.

More people are flowing into the Colony as a result of unstable conditions on the China mainland.

Recent intensified Nationalist bombing of railways and cities, and heavy taxation, are partly responsible for the recent influx of more refugees.

The Tung Wah Hospitals Group, one of the biggest charitable institutions in Hong Kong, is caring for more than 2,000 destitute refugees some of whom have come from remote provinces of China for shelter and safety.

The Colony's increasing birth rate is also contributing to the population increase. Whereas the average monthly birth rate in 1948 was less than 4,000, the average monthly rate in the first two months of this year was more than 5,000.

The death rate has remained steady since 1947 at the monthly average of less than 1,400.

The 1931 census showed that the local population increased from 625,116 in 1921 to 840,473.

Effect of war

As a result of the Japanese war against China in 1937, refugees flowing into the Colony increased the population to 1,391,898 (Medical Department estimate) in 1940. It was estimated at the time that refugees totalled 750,000.

With the Japanese occupation of the coastal regions of China the following year, many refugees returned to their village homes reducing the local population to 1,639,337 (census taken by the Colony's Air Raid Warning Corps) of which 600,000 were estimated to be refugees.

During the Japanese occupation of Hong Kong, the population was considerably reduced. When the British administration was set up in 1945 following the defeat of Japan, the population was estimated at less than 800,000.

In less than four years, the figures increased to 1,857,000 (estimate by the Statistical Department in June 1949).

The Colony's stability and maintenance of law and order attracted a considerable number of people from the interior.

As conditions deteriorated further on the China mainland (aggravated by the collapse of the Nationalist Government) more and more people flocked to Hong Kong.

They hope to find work in Hong Kong, and even destitution is not too bad, because at least food is provided by one or another of many charitable institutions.

(PHOTO ON PAGE 2)

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Don't forget to play refreshed.

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Tenderers must attach to each tender a Deposit Receipt, showing that they have deposited at the Treasury, Prince's Building, the sum of \$50.00 as a pledge of the bona fides of their tenders which sum will be forfeited to the Crown if the successful tenderer fails, or refuses to implement his tender. The deposit will be returned to unsuccessful tenderers.

Forms of tender, specification and other particulars may be obtained at the Headquarters, Public Works Department, Secretariat Building, ground floor, Lower Albert Road.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender and reserves the right to accept all or any part of any tender.

E. A. BOYCE,

Director of Public Works.

Hong Kong, February 20, 1950

REMOVAL NOTICE

AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL ASSURANCE CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that as of Saturday, March 11th, 1950. The offices of The Above Company will be situated at Edinburgh House, 5th floor Hongkong.

Hongkong, March 11, 1950.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Green Island Cement Company, Limited, will be held at its Registered Office, Telephone House, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, the 14th March, 1950, at 12.15 p.m. (or as soon thereafter as the Ordinary Yearly Meeting to be held at noon on that date shall have been concluded) for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the subjoined Resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions:

- (1) "That the Authorised Capital of the Company be increased from its present Capital of H.K.\$5,000,000 divided into 500,000 shares of H.K.\$10.00 each (of which 300,000 shares have been issued) to H.K.\$10,000,000.00 by the creation of 500,000 additional shares of this nominal value of H.K.\$10.00 each and that the unissued shares of the Company's Capital and such additional shares as aforesaid shall be issued at such time or times and upon such terms and conditions as the Company's Board of Directors in their absolute discretion shall think fit."

If the foregoing Resolution is passed—

- (2) "That it is desirable to capitalise the sum of H.K.\$3,000,000.00, being part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Reserve Fund, and accordingly that a special Capital Bonus of H.K.\$3,000,000.00 be declared and that such Bonus be applied on behalf of the persons who on the 27th February, 1950, were the holders of the 300,000 issued shares of the Company in payment in full for 300,000 shares of the Company of H.K.\$10.00 each and that such 300,000 shares credited as fully paid be accordingly allotted to such persons in the proportion of one such share for every one of the said 300,000 shares then held by such persons respectively, and that the shares so distributed shall be treated for all purposes as an increase of the nominal amount of the Capital of the Company held by each such Shareholder and not as income, and that such shares shall rank for Dividend from the 1st January, 1950."

By Order of the Board of Directors.

J. S. C. NEEL,
General Manager & Secretary.

Dated this 15th day of February, 1950.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fifty-seventh Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, Telephone House, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, 14th March, 1950, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1949, and to elect Directors and appoint Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Tuesday, the 28th February, 1950, to Tuesday, the 14th March, 1950, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

J. S. C. NEEL,
General Manager & Secretary.

Dated this 15th Day of February, 1950.

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-eighth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Members of the Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Friday, the 17th day of March, 1950, at Noon, to transact the following business:

1. To receive and consider the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1949.
2. To sanction a dividend in respect of the year 1949.
3. To elect two Directors.
4. To appoint Auditors.

CLOSING OF TRANSFER BOOKS.
Notice is also given that the Transfer Books and Register of Members will be closed from the 4th March, 1950 to the 17th March, 1950, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
G.B.S. THOMSON,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, February 23, 1950.

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

Notice is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Friday, 17th March, 1950, at 12.20 p.m., or at such time as the Ordinary Yearly Meeting to be held at the same place at Noon shall terminate, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following as a Special Resolution, viz:—

"That the Authorised Capital of the Company (which is now \$1,000,000.00 consisting of 100,000 Shares of the nominal value of \$10.00 each, of which 80,000 Shares have been issued) be increased to \$2,000,000.00 by the creation of 1,000,000 additional Shares of the nominal value of \$10.00 each, and that such Shares be issued at such time or times and upon such terms as the Company's Board of Directors in their absolute discretion shall think fit."

By Order of the Board of Directors.

G.B.S. THOMSON,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, February 21, 1950.

NOTICE CHINA EMPORIUM, LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the seventeenth ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 62A-68, Queen's Road, Central, on SATURDAY, the 18th March, 1950 at 3.00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of Directors together with the Statements of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1949, to elect Directors and to appoint Auditors.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be closed from SATURDAY, 11th March, 1950 to SATURDAY, 18th March, 1950, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board.

CHUNG KWAN TING,
General Manager.

Hong Kong, March 4, 1950.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD.

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Robbers kill priest in PI

Manila, March 11.
Father Manuel Munoz, 46-year-old Spanish priest of the Dominican Order, was shot and killed by unidentified persons on the road to Calamba, Laguna Province, 45 miles South of Manila this morning. Robbery was believed to have been the motive for the killing.

Father Munoz, assistant manager of the Church-owned Philippine Sugar Estate Development Company at Calamba, was said to have been carrying at least 3,000 pesos with which to pay labourers at the time he was killed.

The driver of his car told the police that five men stopped and boarded the car, ordered him to drive in another direction and later shot the priest. The priest's body was taken to Lipa, Batangas.

—United Press.

ITALO-SLAV INCIDENT

Venice, March 10.
The crew of an Italian fishing boat said today that they saw a Yugoslav naval patrol boat commander, shoot one of his men who refused an order to kill an Italian fisherman. They said that the Yugoslav patrol boat ordered another Italian fishing schooner to stop and that after an angry exchange between the Yugoslav commander and the owner of the second Italian boat the commander ordered one of his sailors to shoot the owner, 23-year-old Dino Bullo. The sailor refused, the crew said. The commander shot him, then went on board the boat—the San Marco—and shot the Italian dead.

The Italian Government yesterday asked its Belgrade Minister to demand a most urgent explanation from the Yugoslav Government of the shooting of the Italian.

According to information here, Tanjug, the official Yugoslav news agency, alleged that the Yugoslav commander shot the Italian after provocation.

Tanjug also said that the Yugoslav sailor was shot by accident.

—Reuter.

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE CO. LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Seventy-seventh Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the Undersigned on Thursday, March 30, 1950, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1949.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from March 16 to March 30, 1950, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

General Managers,
The Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hong Kong, March 9, 1950.

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company, Limited, Hong Kong, on Friday, 31st day of March, 1950, at 11.00 o'clock in the forenoon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

The Register of Members and Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 18th day of March to the 31st day of March, 1950, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

W. H. PATERSON,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, March 10, 1950.

THE BANK OF CANTON LTD.

ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Head Office of the Company, 6, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, March 15, 1950, at 3.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving and considering the reports of the Directors and of the Auditors and the Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the year ending December 31, 1949, and for the appointment of Auditors and Declaration of Dividends.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from March 6 to March 15, 1950 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares will be registered.

By Order of the Board,
D. S. YUAN,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, March 10, 1950.

TERRORISM IN BELFAST

Belfast, March 10.
A group of young Irish anti-partitionists—but not the outlawed Irish Republican Army—is thought by the police to have been responsible for a new outbreak of terrorism here.

There have been two bomb attacks on Belfast police stations since Wednesday night—the second was carried out early today—but the only casualty so far has been one police sergeant, who was seriously wounded.

The police think that young fanatics, who had access to the many illegal arms dumps still scattered over Northern Ireland, are staging the attacks as a protest against the visit to the United States next month of Sir Basil Brooke, the Prime Minister. Anti-partitionists have condemned his trip as a political manoeuvre to offset pro-partitionist propaganda in the United States, although the Premier himself has denied that he has any political motives.—Reuter.

INDIAN POLICE FIRE ON MOB

Poona, March 10.
Four were killed and 11 injured when police opened fire on a Communist-led crowd in Rajapur village in the Ahmednagar district of Bombay Province today.

A special police party, which took into custody 11 wanted men, was surrounded and attacked by a crowd of about 700 who rescued seven of the arrested people.

A lathi charge failed to disperse the crowd, which became more violent and snatched away lathis and two guns from the police. The police then opened fire.

A few policemen received lathi hits as a result of the crowd's attacks.—Reuter.

PEKING CEREMONY

San Francisco, March 10.
Peking Radio reported tonight that Mr. Teodor Rudence, Ambassador Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the People's Republic of Russia to the People's Republic of China, presented his credentials to Mr. Mao Tse-tung, Chairman of the Central People's Government, this afternoon.

The Ambassador was accompanied by Mr. Pavel Silard, Counsellor, and Mr. Mikhail Astenau, and Mr. Jon Tolstun, Secretaries. Also present at the ceremony were Mr. Lin Po-chu, Secretary General of the Central People's Government, Mr. Chau En-lai, Premier of the Government Administration Council, and General Wang Jung-chien, Acting Chief of Staff of the Communist Army.—Reuter.

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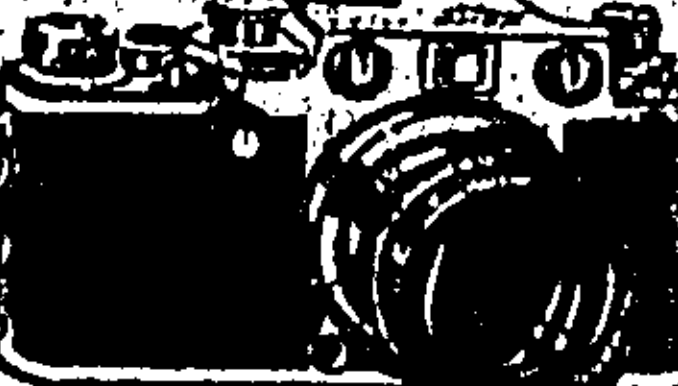
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JANUARY

(December 21-January 10)
High spot of the week comes on Saturday when you should get news of the first importance. So though mid-week may bring a few holdups or temporary difficulties, take heart. You will have gained fresh hope and see your way more clearly by the end of the week.

FEBRUARY

(January 20-February 10)
Financially a changeable period. You gain on one scheme but may lose heavily on another. Better not enter into commitments that matter on Friday or Saturday.

MARCH

(February 19-March 20)
Although you may fret at delays early in week, prepare for a sudden speed-up on Friday or Saturday. If you can rise to emergencies, get a new undertaking launched at a moment's notice, your prospects are likely to improve almost at once.

APRIL

(March 21-April 20)
If you suspect mischief-makers in your circle, take action. Some problem that has been acute over the last few months may have its roots in treacherous behaviour. A good week for speculation and for social life.

MAY

(April 21-May 20)
You may be dragged into a friend's adventures by the end of the week. Though you may be doubtful at first about the issue, don't despair. Hazardous undertakings are likely to turn out better than expected.

JUNE

(May 21-June 20)
A business change seems to be under discussion this week, probably following on good news from friends abroad. But take care you don't make the wrong decision on Friday or Saturday. A little more consideration of the problem in hand would probably be justified.

JULY

(June 21-July 20)
An important week for legal business, new contracts, corre-

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In this weekly series of articles, one of the world's foremost experts in predicting the future gives his opinions on what you personally can expect in the weeks and months to come.

Look for your birth period below and find the general indications for the week. Note that these observations are made according to the Zodiacal Signs and do not exactly coincide with the Calendar Month. For example, January covers December 21-January 19.

pendence. Also, if contemplating travel, plans speed up rather suddenly. In spite of early disappointments and hold-ups, a profitable week.

AUGUST

(July 21-August 21)
It looks as though the business and financial situation will change for the better at the end of the week. If married, some benefits likely through the marriage partner or in-law. A good week for settling questions of legacies, insurance, health.

SEPTEMBER

(August 22-September 22)
Better not be in a hurry, you may have to wait until Saturday before you see much profit this week. But your closest associate or relative is likely to be doing well and on the verge of important undertakings. Possibility of "gambler's luck" on Wednesday.

OCTOBER

(September 23-October 23)
Though you have cause for rejoicing on the one hand, some anxiety likely to develop end of week. If you have dependants or elderly relatives, prepare for extra effort and worry on their behalf. An outstanding week for social life and personal success.

NOVEMBER

(October 24-November 22)
If you feel inclined to take chances, either financial or social, go ahead. Prospects of pulling off something worthwhile are pretty good in last few days of week. In personal life a new link-up is likely to become important.

DECEMBER

(November 23-December 20)
It looks as though your hand may be forced about a house-move or family matter. If you can "stay put", do so: If you can't, try to take over new premises or a new lease by end of month. Good news of near relatives mid-week.

SUNDAY, MARCH 12: FOR MOST OF US: Happy day provided you can steer clear of quarrels in the morning. If travelling or on the roads, allow for somewhat high accident risk. **FOR LUCK:** TODAY WEAR OR USE: Dark Yellow, 8, Dark Sapphire.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Although this will be a progressive year, it is not likely to be a cheerful one. As you journey through 1950 you will find that you have more enemies than you had considered possible. At the same time, you are likely to overcome your critics and to build successfully for the future.

Changes are ahead but would not open up entirely new avenues. Instead, they would probably bring you back to some former dwelling or to a job you held a few years ago. In some way the past becomes important again this year.

Prepare for a certain amount of hostility among fellow-workers and friends, particularly those of your own age and younger. There is even the likelihood of a little scandal early in the year. But dealings with elderly people should be happy and untroubled. Although you may have to travel a little, don't settle far away from neighbourhoods that you know. There is some likelihood that you would take or buy a house in a district in which you lived a few years ago. Incidentally, it is a good period for investing in houses or land.

You can count on loyal backing from the family and from old friends throughout 1950. If contemplating marriage: with someone a few years your senior, you can be pretty sure of happiness.

But casual friendships, love affairs, flirtations, are under difficult stars this year and it would be difficult to avoid falling out with someone of whom you have been fond.

MONDAY, MARCH 13: FOR MOST OF US: Atmosphere of doubt and difficulty may make progress difficult at first. Later, changes clear the air. **FOR LUCK:** TODAY WEAR OR USE: Cream, 1, Crystal.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Born with the Sun in Pisces, you are probably accustomed to rely on your intuition and even natural clairvoyance. But this year gifts of that kind will not be of much avail to you. Horse-sense would be a better guide throughout 1950.

So early in the year banish unfounded worries and doubts. For once your usual insight will not be working. Instead, try to cultivate practical judgment and summon up courage to tackle new schemes.

It will be a good year for changes, particularly round about July and August. But throughout 1950 be ready to stand on your own feet, act on your own initiative. You are not likely to get much backing or co-operation this year.

Indeed, someone in whom you trusted may let you down in 1950. In financial matters especially it will be as well to be ultra-cautious. Keep your money in your pocket and resist temptations to invest in schemes that promise a fortune within a few months.

In your personal life the mischief-maker may be at work. You should discount a good deal of gossip that may be circulating in your particular circle. Nevertheless, it should be a happy year and, if now single, propitious for getting married. If already married, consider a house-move before September.

TUESDAY, MARCH 14: FOR MOST OF US: More propitious for social life than for hard work, but much might be gained by astute use of opportunity. "Gambler's Luck" for many this afternoon. **FOR LUCK:** TODAY WEAR OR USE: Rose Pink, 6, Turquoise.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Now begins a year in which you are likely to enjoy life in unusual fashion. You may also be very fortunate in material affairs although a few ups and downs are to be expected. But you can be sure that developments of 1950 will be stimulating and amusing.

Changes might be worth while. It would not benefit you much to stay in a groove or be over-cautious during the coming 12 months. The more risks you take and the more unusual your schemes, the greater your chances of doing well.

If you are interested in speculation, there are some fortunate periods ahead. "Gambler's Luck" might be yours about October and again in the New Year of 1951. During the same periods you might pull off a speculative scheme that in some way links up with foreign business or friends abroad.

Socially, too, it should be a year to remember. You will get opportunities to exercise your personal charm and influence and to make many useful friends. If your work links up with any of the arts, then you can look forward to periods of inspiration and success.

Although friends and associates may be slightly quarrelsome they will give you the happiness and loyalty you need this year. Also, life will probably be enriched by a new and unusual friendship that, if you are still unmarried, may lead to something permanent.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15: FOR MOST OF US: Good business day provided you keep on the right side of employer or those in authority. Excellent too for social life. **FOR LUCK:** TODAY WEAR OR USE: Wine Red, 3, Amethyst.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: You can set out on this new year of life with confidence and optimism. Both financially and socially it will be a period that stands out in your memory. You will not only make money but you will make many new friends in 1950.

Financially the situation should improve rapidly. About October you begin to see good results from a scheme that has originated a few weeks ago. But the high spot of the year in business is likely to be February 1951.

If in doubt this year, trust to your own intuition rather than to good advice. There is some likelihood that you may clash with an older colleague or employer about August. If your instinct tells you to make a change, plan one for about October.

Socially it will be a most interesting year, and you should make link-ups that benefit you in many ways. Good use of imagination and tact will help you over any difficult periods that may occur early in the 12 months. In the New Year of 1950 you

should make a worthwhile link-up with someone of social or business influence.

It looks as though you would take up some new interest in 1950 that brings you into an entirely new circle of friends. A tie of an unusual kind is due to develop about October. It is a good year for marriage if single, or, if already married for enlarging your domestic interests or taking a new house.

THURSDAY, MARCH 16: FOR MOST OF US: Developments today take an unusual turn. Don't try to stick too rigidly to schedule. New schemes promise better than old ones. **FOR LUCK:** TODAY WEAR OR USE: Leaf Green, 4, Emerald.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Although this will be a year of ups and downs, yet it will also be a time of fresh inspiration and successful new schemes. What contacts you make in 1950 are likely to be stimulating and helpful.

Be prepared for changes. You may have to make some reshuffles at a moment's notice in June, July or August.

Although you may be dubious at first about the results, you should find in a few months time that you are earning more money and better established. It might be well to break entirely with irritating link-ups and to concentrate on quite fresh work.

Half-completed schemes or jobs, in which you take only a lukewarm interest will not benefit you much this year. Entirely new ventures, on the other hand, should do well.

There is some likelihood of travel probably early in 1951. If you leave home or your own country this year, be prepared for anxiety about relatives or long-standing commitments. But it would be worth while going abroad in spite of such worries.

Family relationships may prove difficult throughout the year, and you are likely to worry unduly over a younger brother or sister. But what happiness you desire is likely to come through an entirely new friendship that may, if still single, lead to marriage.

FRIDAY, MARCH 17: FOR MOST OF US: See as little as possible of critics or older people today. Also, refuse to join in discussion of past blunders. Evening hours propitious for social life, travel. **FOR LUCK:** TODAY WEAR OR USE: Pale Grey, 4, Topaz.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Although the opening months of your birthday year may be rather difficult, you should get new hope and make interesting changes after September. Better cultivate patience for the first few months and then aim at getting away from an uncongenial environment or a unremunerative job.

Older people will be a source of trouble during the early part of the year. If in close touch with an elderly relative you may be worried about his or her health. Alternatively, some new scheme is held up by the opposition of an older person.



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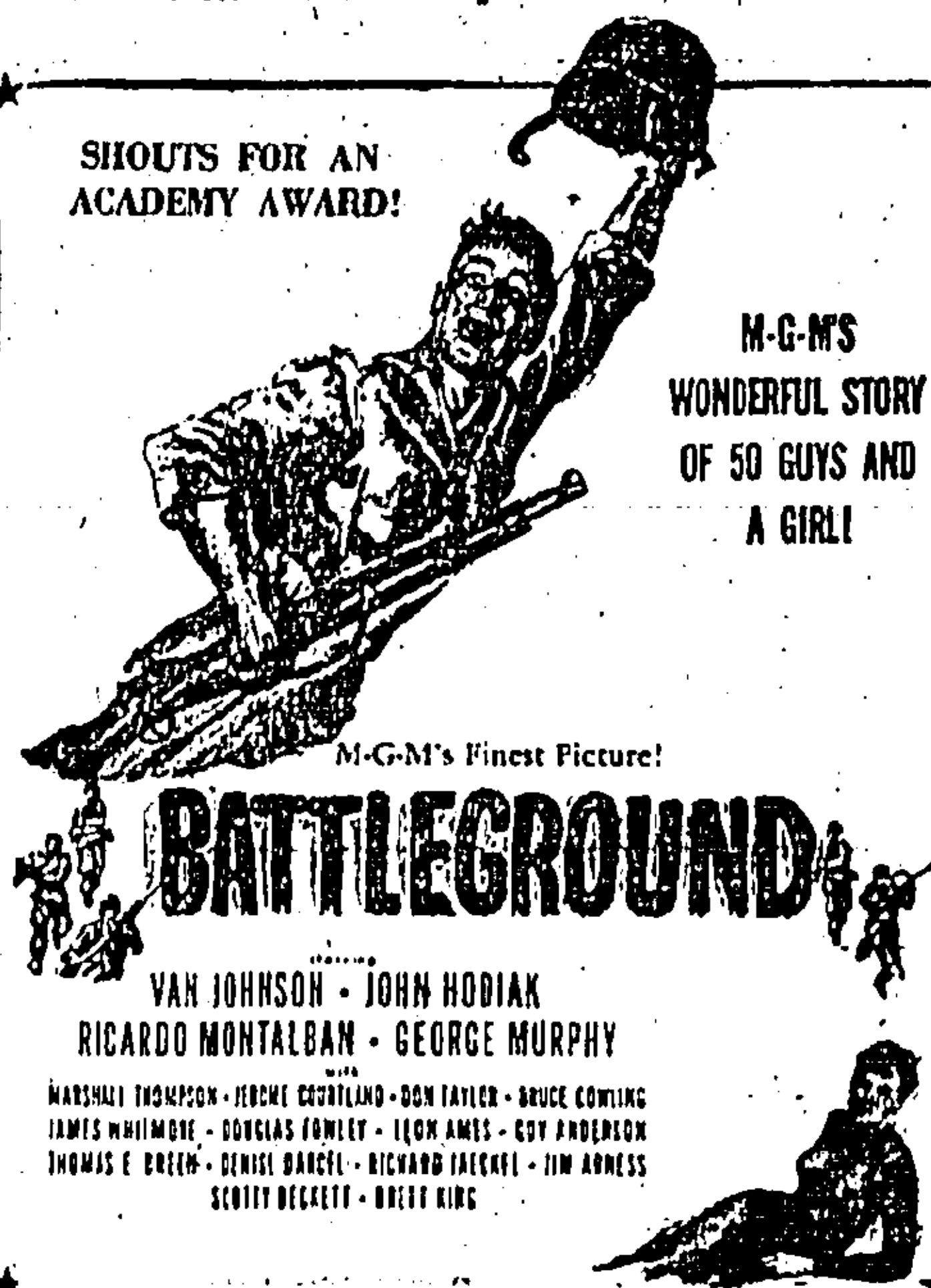
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TEAR GAS GRENADES THROWN IN STRIKES

New theory on flying saucers

Galeon, Ohio, March 10. - Former Crown Prince Otto Habsburg of Austria said here tonight that the flying saucers seen intermittently over the United States were Russian map-recording devices. He told a meeting that Russia, obtained from Germany after the war nine V-type weapons, two of which had been developed fully. Aided by German scientists, Prince Otto believes, the Russians had developed one of these into a flying saucer. He claimed that Russia had exceptionally fine air maps of the United States. - Reuter.

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P.M.
12.45—"Sur Les Bords de la Seine"
1.15—News And Weather Report.
1.30—Popular Concert.
2.00—Afternoon Musicals.
4.00—Curtain Call.
4.30—Ten Time Tune.
5.00—Music Hall Varieties.
5.30—March Parade.
6.00—Foreign Favorites.
6.30—Just For You.
6.45—A special feature for the Children.
7.00—Local News.
7.15—The Grand Fields Show.
7.45—Listen to Lullaby.
8.00—"Songs of All Nations".
8.15—Sunday Night Orchestra.
8.30—Wings of Darkness.
8.45—Songs from the Show.
9.00—U.B.C. News.
9.15—Local News.
9.30—Music Hall Today.
9.50—"London Playhouse".
10.00—Organ Recital.
10.15—Bachman's Piano Concerto No. 2.
11.15—A Duet With Dreamland.
12.00—Close Down.

VETERAN FILM ACTRESS DEAD

San Francisco, March 10. - Marguerita de la Motte, aged 40, once leading lady with Douglas Fairbanks, Senior, in several silent films, died here today. - United Press.

French police and Mobile Guards, used tear gas against demonstrating strikers in two French cities tonight as tempers flared higher in the docks and public utilities strikes.

Tear gas grenades were thrown at Moulins, in Central France, where a crowd of about 600 had defied police orders and marched on the Prefecture after a meeting sponsored by the Communist-dominated General Confederation of Labour.

Several were slightly injured, and one arrested. Communist-led dockers in Marseilles and Bordeaux joined utility, transportation and other workers in the strike wave. Strikers clashed with police in front of the Town Hall of Bordeaux. A few were injured on both sides and some arrests were made before the strikers were dispersed. Eight ships are immobilised as a result of the Bordeaux walk-out.

Benoit Frachon, Secretary-General of the General Confederation of Labour wrote in the Communist daily, "Humanite", "There are now more than 700,000 strikers."

A Labour Ministry spokesman called the figure exaggerated, but offered no estimate of his own. Only 550 strikers showed up for work in Marseilles after a mass meeting, organised by pro-Communists union chiefs, decided on an unlimited strike.

Troops at work

At Bordeaux, where normally 1,200 to 1,500 dockers are at work, no more than 50 were on the job. Troops replaced the dockworkers who refused to load the freighter Bangkok with arms destined for French forces in Indo-China.

Communist slogans in the strikes attacked the war in Indo-China and the shipment of U.S. arms expected in France soon.

American bombers and fighters, the first shipment in the U.S. billion dollar flow of military aid to Western Europe are being loaded on the French escort carrier Dixmude at Norfolk, Virginia.

The dockers, like most of the strikers throughout France, are demanding a 3,000-franc cost of living bonus, payable every month until a newly authorized bargaining agreement can be reached. Unlike disputes in many other areas of France, the dockers were not joined by the weaker Socialist and Catholic unions.

Paris tie-up

Parisians going to their offices saw no improvement in the underground strike. Many followed their routes on foot for miles without finding a station open. Those who managed to get into the undergrounds were packed in like pickles.

Persons waited at bus stops upwards of an hour before getting a foothold on the infrequent and crowded buses.

The utilities strike lowered gas supplies so as to make cooking almost impossible. Bread would not toast and coffee would not perk. The Government claimed improvements in the general situation.

Paris, March 10.

It announced that the underground system in Paris is running at 65 per cent of normal, compared to 50 per cent on Thursday. It said that 380 buses are running throughout the city, as compared with 200 on Thursday.

Strikers who tried to parade through the streets of Rombas, near Metz, were dispersed by Mobile Guards using tear gas. One guard was injured, and 15 demonstrators arrested. - Associated Press.

FINNISH ATTACK ON REDS

Helsinki, March 10.

Finland's Prime Minister, Karl August Fagerholm, said in a speech today that the Communists, by their repeated attacks against the Government, had injured Finland's independence and political position.

They have done their utmost to awake Soviet mistrust of Finland, he said.

In spite of the fact that the Government had been able to give complete answers to certain charges and queries which the Soviet Government had made, and although these answers had made it clear that the representations referred to the activities of the former Government, the Communists had had the impudence to bring up the question in Parliament, using improper language and heaping lie upon lie.

The Prime Minister stressed that the Social Democratic Party would gladly participate in a Coalition Government with a Conservative and Liberal majority but not unconditionally. The Specialists want guarantees that the Government's programme and composition would be such as to benefit the country and the working class.

If such guarantees could not be granted the Socialists would stay out.

"We do not want to take part in a Government which endeavours to destroy the results achieved by the present Cabinet," the Prime Minister said. - Reuter.

EXPLOSION IN LABORATORY

Calco, March 10.

Four were killed and several injured in Calco when the distillation apparatus of a laboratory producing pharmaceutical drugs accidentally exploded, according to a police report. - Associated Press.

RADIO

Radio Hong Kong broadcasts... 00.00—Frequency of 648 kilocycles per second and on 9.45 megacycles per second in the 42 m.p.v. band.

11.00—Hong Kong Calling—Programme Summary.

12.00—Saturday Sports Results Read by Bill Phillips. (Studio)

12.30—London Friends Orchestra.

1.00—Relay of Confirmed High Mass from the Catholic Cathedral. (Cathedral, Radio)

1.15—Songs by Jean Klappa. (Tenor) and Maria Eggerth (Soprano)

11.30—"Time for Music"—BBC Midland Light Orchestra. (BBCOS)

P.M.

12.00—Sports Review by Bill Phillips. (Studio)

12.30—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.

12.32—Musical of Waldemar.

12.45—Light Variety with Skitch Henderson and His Orchestra.

1.15—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.20—Moulinet Concert.

2.00—"Take It from Here"—With Joe Nichols, Dick Bentley and Jimmy Edwards. (BBCOS)

2.30—"Jazz Hall"—New Orleans Parade Presented by Stuart MacKenzie. (Studio)

3.00—World News. (London Relay)

3.10—Hospital Requests—Presented by Linda Carter. (Studio)

4.10—Short Story—"The Game Cock"—by Michael McLaverty. Read by John Loveless. (Studio)

4.30—Introducing River Varieties.

5.00—Home Requests—Presented by Jackie Palmer. (Studio)

6.00—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.

6.02—Short Recital by Maggie Teyte. (Soprano)

6.15—Weekly News-Letter. (London Relay)

6.30—Services Given Song—Conducted by the Rev. Father M. Malone. O. P. (Studio)

7.00—World News and News Analysis. (London Relay)

7.15—"Looking Ahead"—A Review of the Week's Programmes. (Studio)

7.30—Dinner Music. (Studio)

8.00—"From the Editorials." (London Relay)

8.15—Intervals.

8.15—"China Music"—BBC Scottish Variety Orchestra with Janette Sclanders (Soprano) (BBCOS)

8.45—Symphony Concert—Bach's Concerto in D Minor for Two Violins and Orchestra. The Philharmonia String Orchestra and Boris Ols (Harpsichord) Cond. Walter Sumfkh. List's Concerto No. 1 in E Flat for Piano and Orchestra. The London Philharmonia Orchestra conducted by Sir Henry Wood. Walter Drisking at the Piano. Brahms's Symphony No. 4 in E Minor Op. 98. London Symphony Orch. Conducted by Felix Weingartner.

10.00—Radio News. (London Relay)

10.15—Weather Report.

10.15—Chapman and Verse—An Anthology of Matthew Arnold. (BBCOS)

10.30—Let Compagnons de la Chance.

10.40—Leslie Jeffries and His Orchestra.

11.00—Weather Report, World News and Home News from Britain. (London Relay)

11.05—Home News from Britain. (London Relay)

11.15—Collage—Conducted by the Rev. Father J. Turner. (Studio)

11.20—Close Down.

U.S. MISSION IN DALAT

Paris, March 10.

The American economic mission today flew to Dalat, South Annam, to discuss aid to Vietnam with the ex-Empress, Bao Dai. Agency France Press reported from Saigon.

Originally, only the mission's leader, Mr. Robert Allen Griffin, and three of his colleagues were to have made the journey. But Vietnam's leaders asked for the whole mission because of the importance of the discussion. - Reuter.

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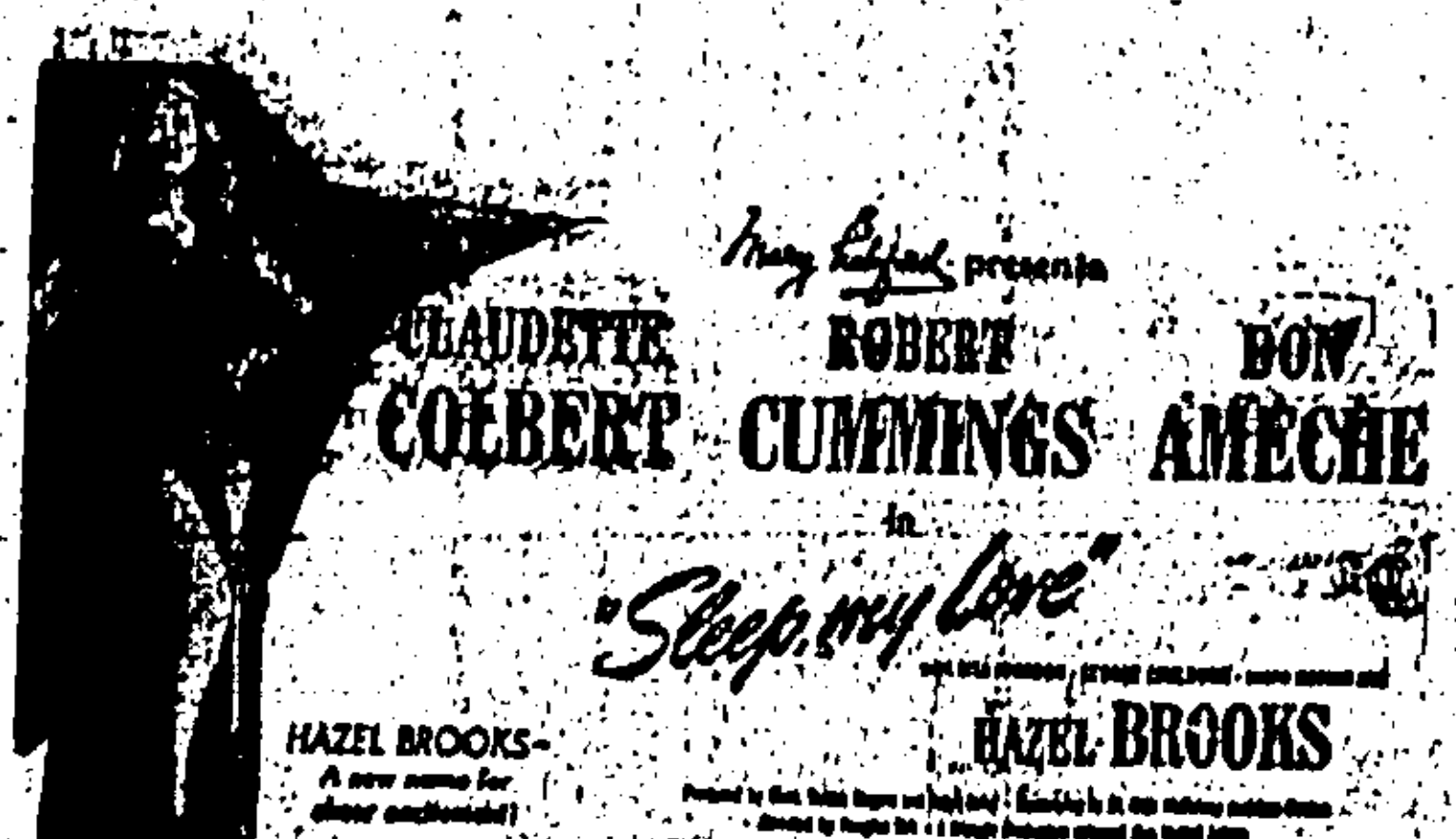
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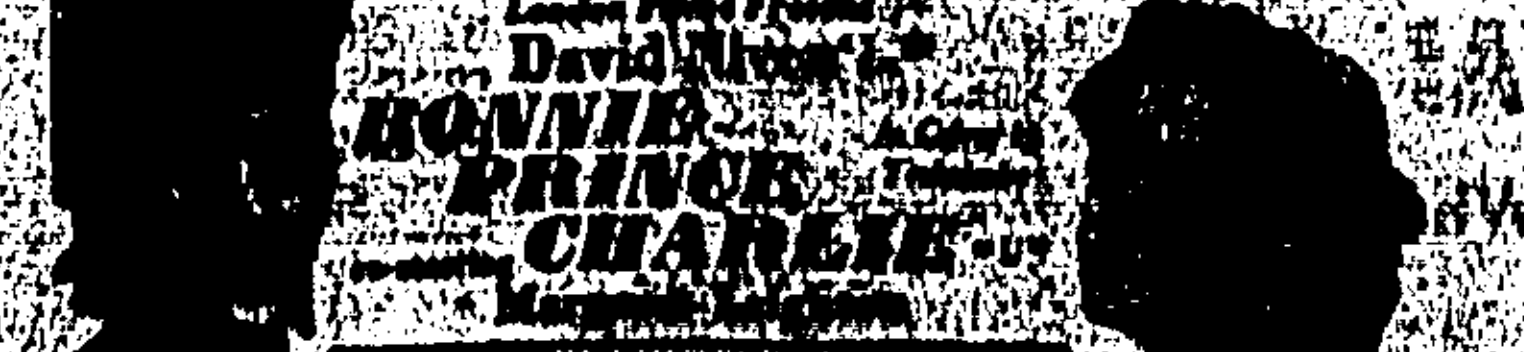
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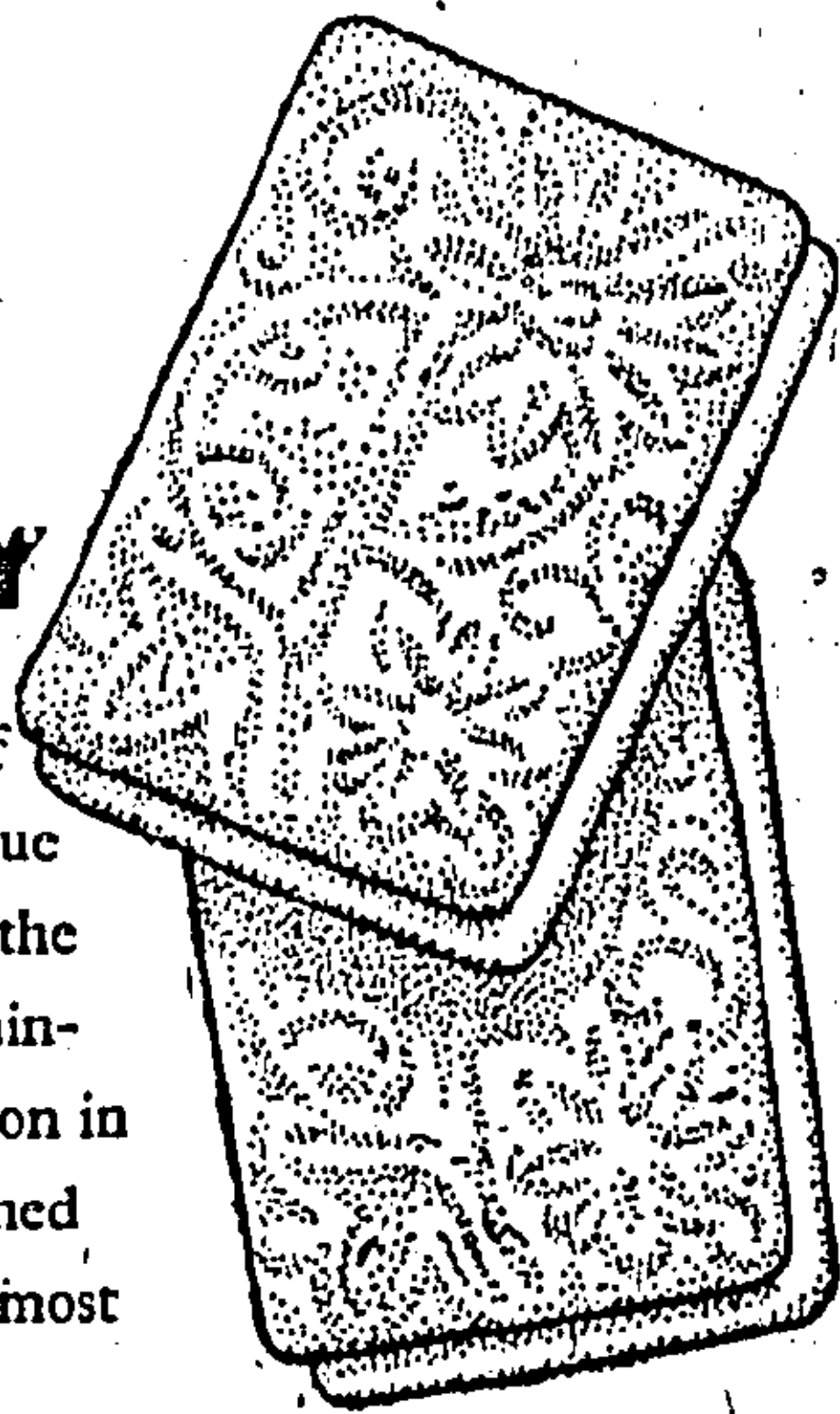
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Stalemate.
So, the Socialists have secured their overall majority—but not a majority which will enable them to do any effective work, and which must place a definite check on their nationalisation projects. All along both sides stressed that they did not want a Government without a working majority. Most estimates give 60 as a reasonable minimum. It is obvious that to have a Government with so slender a majority cannot make for stability in our political, economic, and business life, at a time when stability is the one thing needed. It will and must mean another appeal to the country at a distant time. All political leaders agree the Socialist majority is unworkable and that the Government can only be carried on with a tolerant attitude on the part of the Conservatives who will adopt it only if the Socialists are reasonable. For this position which has all the elements of a stalemate, the Liberals must accept responsibility. But for their large-scale intervention, inspired by the belief or pretence that they might even form the Government, the country has been deprived of a Government with a fair majority.

Early election?

"I cannot see how we will be able to carry on for longer than six months." That was what a leading Minister in the last Government told me. His view, which is, I understand, shared by a majority of Ministers, is that Labour should introduce in April a Budget as nearly non-controversial as possible and spend the remaining weeks of the coming Parliamentary session manoeuvring for a good tactical position from which to spring a new election on the country in July.

It is admitted in Ministerial quarters that it might be possible to carry on the Government for a longer period if it came to some sort of working agreement with the Opposition parties over a bipartisan policy on major foreign and economic problems. It would appear, however, that while such a course of action has some appeal to Mr. Bevin and Mr. Morrison, it would be violently resisted by that section of the Party looking to Mr. Bevan as its mentor.

There is also little hope that the Socialists will be prepared now to make any new substantial progress towards the political and economic integration of Europe, or to implement the promise made by Sir Stafford Cripps that if Labour were returned at the election he would reconsider the question of double pricing on exports to Europe.

Imprisoned in Commons

For Labour, the result of the election means a life of social austerity, and almost prison-like incarceration at Westminster. While the House of Commons is sitting, Labour members will not dare to have private engagements outside. Public dinners and meetings at night must obviously be avoided.

Theatres, except on Saturday, will be out of the question. If the Government is to survive there will be the highly necessary of keeping a full House so that MPs can be marshalled for any suddenly-called division engineered by the Conservatives. But there is illness to consider and Mr. Attlee is also asking himself how he can allow Ministers to go to important conferences abroad, to United Nations gatherings, Commonwealth meetings or on goodwill missions, when everyone who goes weakens the Government's strength and may mean the vital difference between victory and defeat.

These uncomfortable disabilities will not apply to the Conservative MPs. Defeat in the lobbies is of no particular consequence to them and they need not keep an incessant vigil. They will, presumably, arrange among themselves on which issues the Government is to be subjected to an all-out challenge, but when nothing like this is afoot they can go out to dinner, the cinema, or where they will.

Fears abroad

There is considerable anxiety among American and British Allied observers of the British elections, about the effect which the result may have on British foreign and economic policy.

The primary need, from the viewpoint of the democratic world's security, is that Britain's Government should enjoy true authority. There is a danger that without a conclusive majority the new Administration may feel unable to plan long-term policies on major issues, even though there would doubtless be a bipartisan attitude on fundamental questions.

A certain indecision may have to be reckoned with at a time when firm, consistent and positive action is called for in the face of mounting Communist pressure.

There are a number of outstanding matters which must be dealt with during the next few months. While no attempt is being made to anticipate decisions by Mr. Attlee and his colleagues, Allied circles here fear that a caretaker Government in Britain would prevent this country for a period from fulfilling the active role in world affairs required of it.

One urgent issue which calls for early attention is the demand made by Hungary for the recall of the British Assistant Military and Commercial Attaches from Budapest, and the reduction of the British Legation staff there.

Teaching Hungary

Until now Mr. Bevin has been loath to break off diplomatic relations with Budapest, because both he and Dean Acheson have for some time been convinced that the sealing of the satellite countries from the West is exactly what Moscow desires.

Possible measures suggested here have centred on reprisals against Hungarian nationals, raising the issue at the United Nations, and some form of diplomatic action in Budapest; however, the rupture of diplomatic relations is being seriously thought of after all. The reason is that feeling has grown among the two big U.S. political parties, and in Britain, particularly among the Conservatives, that if the Communists are determined to never Eastern Europe from the Western World, nothing but further humiliation and loss of prestige can follow from trying to hang on at Budapest.

President's visit

The French President and Mme. Vincent Auriol have expressed a wish that during their three days' State visit to London, beginning on March 7, they should be given the opportunity of seeing as much as possible of the "home damage." I am afraid that it will for the most part be an inspection of bombed sites, though some historic buildings remain very much as the Germans left them.

London is preparing to give the President and Mme. Auriol a welcome reminiscent of Entente Cordiale days. Glant white flagpoles are already going up all down the Mall, and around Trafalgar Square. The President and Mme. Auriol will arrive the day after their Majesties have formally opened Parliament so that the capital is in for a round of ceremonial affairs.

Halfway across the Chunnel, the presidential ship, the *Aurore*, will be met by an escort of British destroyers and aircraft of the RAF. Waiting to welcome them at Victoria will be the King and Queen and the Princesses, together with a guard of honour at hand. Escorted by a Sovereign's Escort of the Household Cavalry, they will drive to Buckingham Palace along a special processional route lined by members of the three Services.

On the day of their arrival, they will place a wreath on the grave of the Unknown Warrior at Westminster, call on Queen Mary at Marlborough House, receive an address of welcome at St. James' Palace, attend the French Embassy reception, and finish up with a banquet at Buckingham Palace.

On the following day they will drive in State to the Guildhall, where they will be entertained to lunch and on Thursday, will attend a reception given by both Houses of Parliament in the Royal Gallery of the House of Lords. Many other brilliant functions are planned, including a Covent Garden gala night.

Australia visit

So great is the eagerness in Australia and New Zealand that the King and Queen should visit the Pacific as much as possible their postponed tour that a hastening

up of the programme has been urged.

It is very difficult to see how this can be arranged in view of the many commitments to which the King is tied for many months to come. In due course their Majesties will be paying a return visit to the French capital and, looming above everything else, are the plans for enacting a right royal send-off for the great exhibition next year.

His Majesty is naturally anxious to co-operate in making it a success.

But for this, commencement of the Royal Tour of Australia at the latter end of this year would have been feasible, for happily the King's health no longer occasions anxiety and his doctors are satisfied that he can face the strain of the tour without undue anxiety.

Royal tartan

The King has had made here two tartan dinner-jackets, to be worn with formal black evening dress trousers. They were completed some time ago, and he has already worn this new form of Highland evening dress at a private dinner party.

Some young friends of the Princesses were present on one occasion, I understand, and they have copied the idea and worn their family tartan in this fashion in public.

It is likely that this was the origin of the fashion that has become so popular in America, and now tartan jackets in both single and double breasted styles are being featured for day wear by London tailors.

Whatever reception this style of dress may have in the Highlands it will certainly be welcomed by export traders, and there will be many Scots on this side of the Border who will gladly follow the fashion.

There are many, for various reasons, who cannot wear the kilt who would still want to be appropriately dressed at Highland functions, and here is a way over their difficulty and at the same time a means of keeping the tartan alive. This is the important thing.

On the market

Meanwhile tartan, having had a glorious spring and summer so far as women's fashions were concerned, is now introduced by men's West-End tailors for all colour males who like a bit of colour in their dress, but who are not quite prepared to go completely Highland.

A hand-made Scottish-produced tartan waistcoat is on the market. It is made entirely of tartan, front and back, so that it can be worn as an outer garment on hot days.

One outfitter today tells me they are selling well. In Macleod, Royal Stuart, and Cameron they cost £3 10/- each. Correct wear with the tartan waistcoat, says the tailor, is a tweed coat and corduroy trousers.



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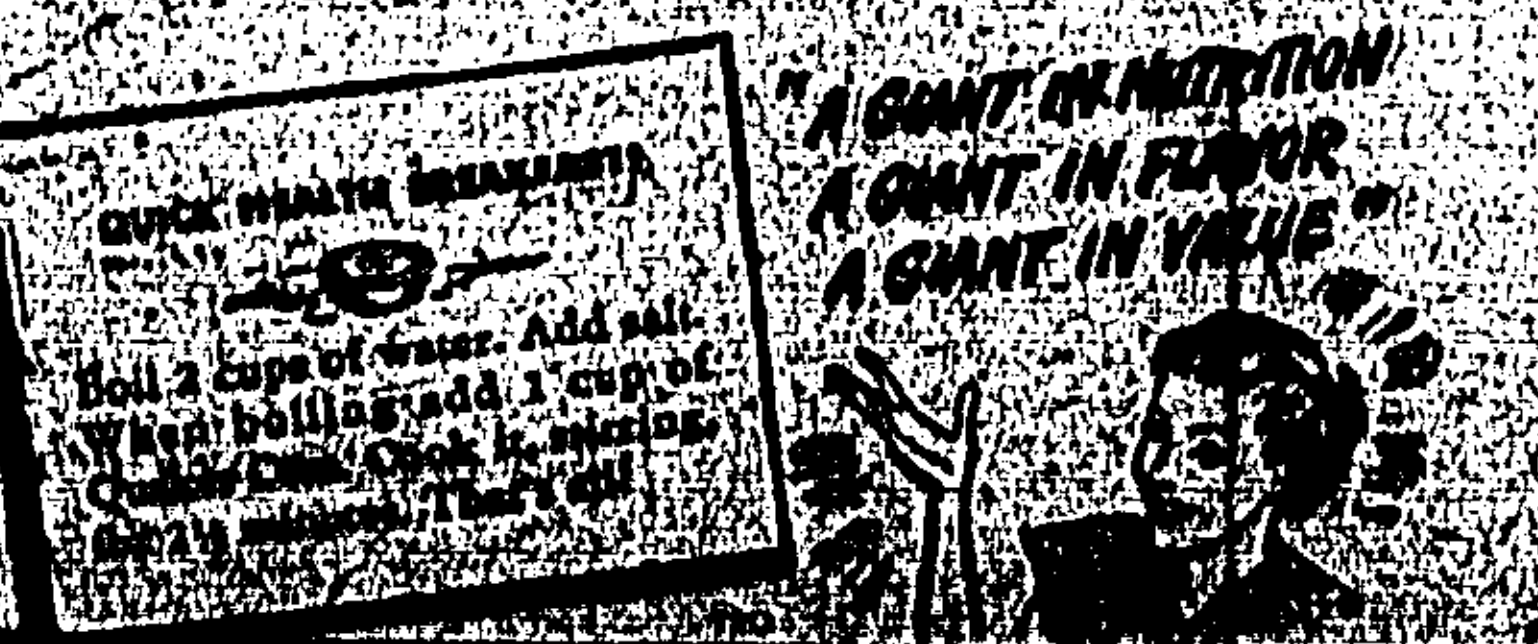
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What the CHINESE PRESS is saying

Nationalist blockade
Hong Kong Times: Foreign merchants and missionary bodies who are seeking the intervention of the United States to stop the air raids on Shanghai and lift the Nationalist coastal blockade are indeed hypocrites and selfish persons.

The Nationalist Government's actions are justified for tactical reasons. These persons surely have no reason to expect the Nationalist Government's navy to allow them to ship military supplies freely to China's enemy.

Above all, if any concessions are warranted on the part of the Nationalist Government, they should be of benefit to Chinese merchants, not foreigners.

We agree that the Nationalist blockade has resulted in considerable losses to foreign merchants. But let us also consider the overseas Chinese. They too have suffered serious losses as a result of the turmoil in Indonesia, Malaya, Burma and French Indo-China.

It is a disgrace that people living in this present age should still entertain 19th century imperialistic ideas. Their action naturally will not be tolerated by the Chinese people.

The missionary bodies have based their plea for intervention on humanitarian grounds only. But look at the Chinese masses on the mainland! Exorbitant taxation and other oppressive measures are driving them to live on tree bark and grass roots. If as they claim their actions are based on humanitarian grounds, why don't the missionaries do something for these unfortunate people?

We want to remind here again that the present Communist regime is a puppet of Moscow.

nothing to do with foreign merchants and missionaries.

Key money rackets

NEW LIFE EVENING POST: Back of action, Hong Kong Government's reluctance at high rentals and key money rackets is generally viewed with considerable dissatisfaction by the public. Key money collected for flats in a new building invariably totals nearly 50 per cent of the actual cost of the entire building. And by charging high rents, the investors are able to collect back the remaining 50 per cent in two or three years.

It must be admitted that high rentals have a very adverse effect on the cost of living.

In most cases today, rents consume the greater portion of one's salary. Government is not taking action because it is claimed that any such action would retard investment in buildings. But which is the better of the two evils—more buildings or an inflated cost of living?

Small savings

WAH KIU YAT PO: It is about time that something is done to provide facilities for the man with small savings. Nothing has been done to encourage savings on a small scale.

A bank ordinarily is the proper place for people's savings, but strange to say, the local banks do not have departments providing such facilities for the ordinary man.

It is the Government's responsibility to see that facilities are provided for the man with small savings.

Before the war, China's postal savings banks were very popular and achieved remarkable results. It is indeed a great pity that Hong Kong should lack a postal saving organization.

Local education

WAH KIU YAT PO: The Government should have a sound education that education is a means

for reforming society and solving society's ills. In fact, leading educators claim that education is one of the best means for combating crime.

Let us take a look at Hong Kong's new Budget items on education and police. Some HK\$15,000,000 is provided for the Police and only a mere HK\$3,000,000 for the Education Department.

If Hong Kong really does want to preserve law and order by reducing crime, would it not be better to provide the Education Department with HK\$15,000,000 and allocate the Police Department's budget of HK\$3,000,000 to the Police Department?

S.E. Asia markets

WAH KIU YAT PO: South East Asia has become the second Balkan. East and West are the two major contestants for the region's wealth of natural resources.

Chief pre-requisite to world economic superiority is control of these resources and monopolization of the markets in South East Asia. Generally speaking, to achieve freedom from want is the best method to avoid war. This is most unfortunate thing, however, is that the East does not tolerate any kind of freedom.

Unfortunately, also, East and West cannot achieve harmony in their relations otherwise the vast wealth of natural resources in South East Asia would be put to use for the benefit of all living throughout the world and make further progress in world civilization.

The West has for the past five years confined themselves to defensive measures to prevent South East from falling under the complete control of the East. This has however, the East has changed and the West is still leaving the East.

The cold war is a dangerous game and may break out into a shooting war.

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BELGIANS TO VOTE ON LEOPOLD TODAY

Brussels, March 10.

Belgium's Coalition Government today appealed to 5,000,000 excited electors for calm and order after they vote on Sunday on the future of exiled King Leopold.

A Cabinet-communique urged all political parties and private bodies to refrain from demonstrations after the plebiscite so that the people's decision on whether or not Leopold should be invited back to the throne can be studied in an atmosphere of calm.

The King's daughter, 22-year-old Princess Josephine Charlotte, is arriving in Brussels tonight as the opposing parties' campaigns reach their height.

Leopold supporters threw tear gas bombs into a meeting at Antwerp last night, where 13,000 people were listening to anti-Leopold speeches by three former Socialist Premiers—M. Paul Spaak, M. Achille Van Acker and M. Camille Huysmans.

In Liege, Leopoldists—wearing American Army uniforms and steel helmets—according to the police, circled the town early this morning patting up propaganda notices and clashed with anti-Leopoldists in one city street.

Both parties fed when the police appeared.

On Sunday every Belgian over the age of 21, making an electorate of 5,000,000, must go to the polls or incur a fine. Even if the

voting is favourable to the King, who was provisionally exiled for five years, he could not return to his country until a joint session of both Houses of Parliament repealed the legislation passed in July, 1945, prolonging the Regency.

Racial division

Of the main political parties only the Social Christians (Catholics)—the country's strongest single political group—are wholly in favour of the King's return.

The Liberals, their partners in the Government, are divided. Leading Liberal Cabinet Ministers have proclaimed that the only solution for them is King Leopold's enforcement of voluntary abdication in favour of his 10-year-old son, Prince Baudouin.

Of the Opposition parties, the Socialists—the country's second most numerous party—also want the King to abdicate. The Communists want Belgium to become a Popular Republic.

Apart from the party divisions, the nation is racially divided into two halves on the question. Most of the Walloons are opposed to the King. The Flemings want him back.

Strike plan

Most Belgians are convinced that whether it is "yes" or "no", the referendum will divide the country. Both sides fear that bloody battles may yet be fought after the result is known.

The Socialist-dominated General Federation of Labour—the country's largest trade union—has called on workers to do all in their power to oppose the return of the King.

Their plans include a series of nationwide strikes. "We will sabotage the national economy just as we did when the Germans were here," one leader declared. Secret orders have been given to key workers to put the strike plan into effect on Monday should the referendum show a majority for the King.

The country is disrupted even in the pre-referendum period. Close friends have become foes in café arguments. Family quarrels have developed as a result of the Royal argument.—Reuter.

Massacre by Karens reported

Rangoon, March 10.

A Burma Army commander said today that rebel Karens massacred hundreds of Burmese Chinese and Indian civilians before retreating from Pyu, 134 miles North of Rangoon.

Colonel Chit Myaing, commander of Government forces on the Toungoo front, said that the Karens, who are fighting to set up an independent State, set Pyu afire and then attacked terrified men, women and children as they fled.

He said 127 bodies were counted up to last Wednesday but an undetermined number of dead still lie across a creek in territory under Karen sniper fire.—Associated Press.

MRA wins Communist adherents

Washington, March 10.

Congressman Harold Hagen of Minnesota said today that the worldwide ideological movement known as Moral Rearmament is winning some Western German Communist leaders away from the Party line.

Mr. Hagen's statement published in the appendix of the Congressional record said: "In a way we had hoped might happen and yet feared could never happen, this movement is creating industrial teamwork as an answer to class war."

In Altenessen, the chairman of the Communist Party, who had only a four-power conference could deal with the Japanese treaty, the diplomats continued. They speculate that, as a result, Russia and Communist China now be prepared to invite all interested powers to a peace conference on Japan. Britain, Australia and New Zealand are anxious to hold a Japanese peace conference as soon as possible, but so far the State Department in the United States has given no indication that it is ready to do so.

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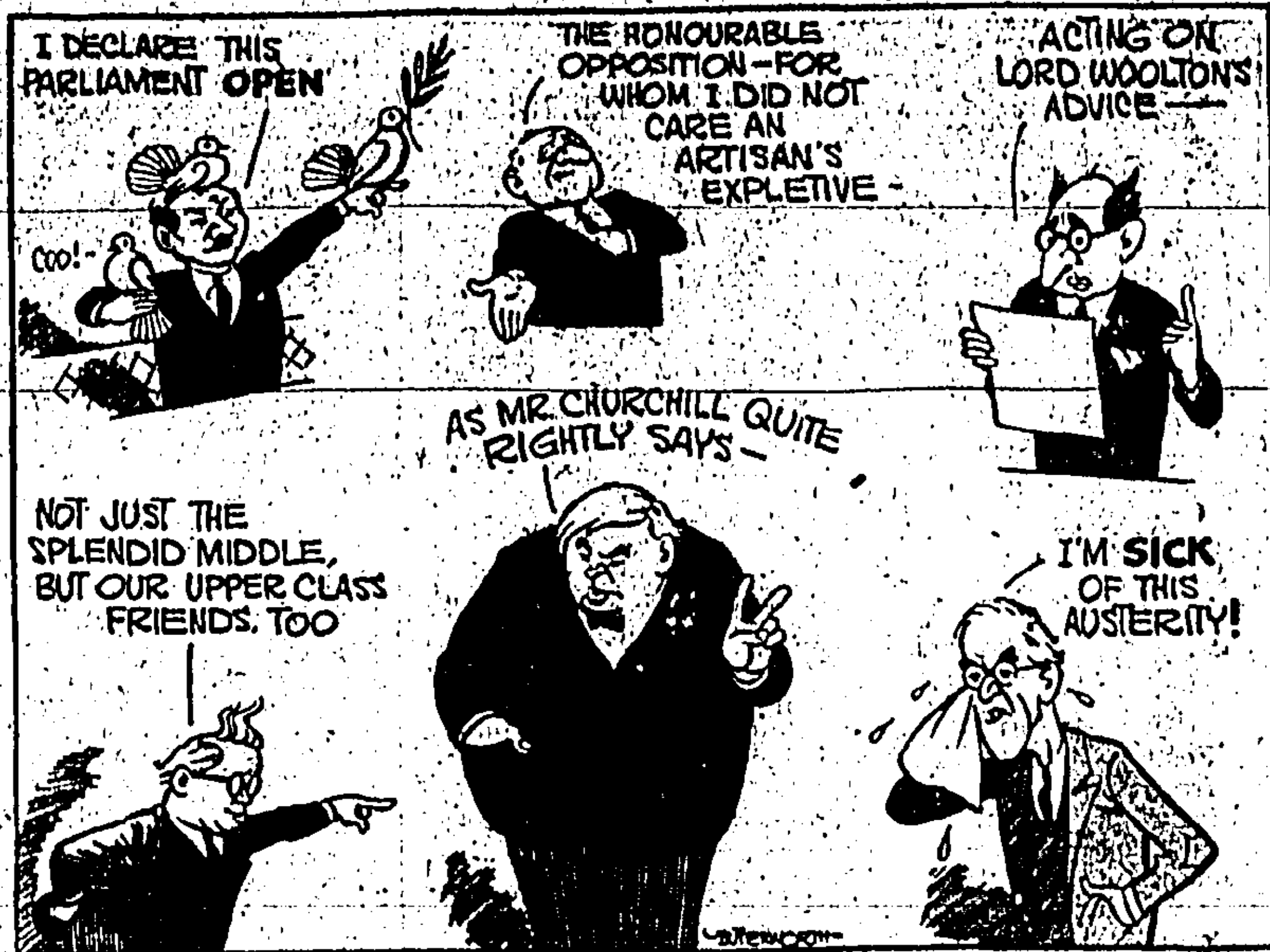
JESSUP IN UK

London, March 10.

Dr. Philip Jessup, the United States Ambassador-at-large, who has made a 15,000-mile tour of the Far East and South East Asia, arrived here tonight by air from Karachi.

He is paying a 24-hour visit to London before flying on to Paris tomorrow.

Dr. Jessup is expected to meet Mr. M. E. Denning, the head of the Foreign Office Eastern Department, tomorrow at lunch with the Minister of State, Major Kenneth Younger.—Reuter.



THE NEW APPROACH?

SINO-RUSSIAN ACTION ON JAPANESE PEACE TREATY FORECAST

Washington, March 10.

Diplomats of several British Commonwealth countries say there is some reason to believe that Russia and Communist China may be preparing shortly to call a Japanese peace conference before the United States is ready to do so.

The Sino-Russian negotiations in Moscow and recently the more friendly attitude of Soviet officials in Tokyo and Washington toward the Press give credence to the belief that Russia is preparing a new political move.

The most likely move is that of trying to show the Asiatic countries that Russia, in partnership with Communist China, is ready to wrest political leadership from the Western countries as regards Japan.

The Moscow conference of Chinese and Russian officials would appear to have changed the former Soviet attitude that only a four-power conference could deal with the Japanese treaty, the diplomats continued.

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At the Colombo conference and the full working party is expected to be operating shortly.

There is not one Commonwealth country today in favour of advocating reparations out of current Japanese production as a clause to be inserted in the peace treaty.

A Press report (not the United Press) from London to this effect, published in Japanese newspapers, gave a distorted viewpoint of the actual thinking of Commonwealth countries. On the treaty, diplomats declared.

What the Commonwealth countries will insist on in the peace treaty is not punitive clauses but security clauses to prevent any possibility of future Japanese aggression.

All the Commonwealth countries are agreed that the Japanese must have a stable economy, including shipping sufficient for that purpose. However, it is expected that these countries will request restrictions on Japanese shipping above what is necessary for her economy.—United Press.

HEAVY INDUSTRY TO COME FIRST

Prague, March 10.

Czechoslovakia has decided to concentrate on expanding her heavy industry at the expense of improvements which had been planned in the light industries.

This was officially announced today by the Czech Minister of Industry, M. Gustav Klimant, who said that second and third shifts should be introduced in the heavy industry.

It was necessary to eliminate imports from the capitalist countries wherever this was possible and to replace them by imports from the Soviet Union or the people's democracies. The new conditions in Czechoslovakia, M. Klimant said, demanded that each factory be led by a single leader.—Reuter.

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BEVIN TO ENTER HOSPITAL

London, March 10.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, is to enter hospital for rest and treatment this week-end. He will be back at work next week.

Mr. Bevin, who was 69 yesterday, went into hospital for a few days a fortnight ago. A Foreign Office spokesman tonight said that he is returning for a further course of the same treatment this week-end.—Reuter.

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By an industrial correspondent

The organisation of the Festival of Britain, to be held from May to September, 1951, is now sufficiently advanced to be able to give to the business community some idea of what it will have to offer from the trade and industrial angle.

The Festival itself, for which, by the end of 1949, more than 300 towns, cities and villages were preparing plans, will be a nationwide demonstration of Britain's leading achievements in the arts, sciences, technology and industrial design; but the centre piece of the entire undertaking will be the Exhibition on the South Bank of the Thames, known as the South Bank Exhibition, at which will be displayed a great variety of selected products and articles in which Britain's prestige stands particularly high.

The Exhibition will tell a continuous story of British achievements throughout the whole of its extent, each pavilion providing a chapter in the story. It will be selective, first, in the topics chosen for the theme and second, in the choice of exhibits to illustrate the story.

A subject qualifying for inclusion must be one in which the British contribution is outstanding—such as an invention like penicillin or the jet engine; an unrivalled British craft like tailoring or fine china; a current national enterprise like the equipment of new schools; achievements in exploration and scientific discovery; and aspects of the British tradition which have characterised our products.

Thus, many activities and industries in which British achievement is great, but not significantly in advance of other countries, will not be represented.

An industrial exhibit qualifying for inclusion must not only be of high merit on functional, engineering and aesthetic grounds, but must also be appropriate to

For instance, the pottery exhibits will invite a visit to Staffordshire, the cutlery and hardware to Sheffield and Birmingham, or the brief account of ship design and construction could be expanded in the shipyards of Tyneside and the Clyde.

Besides the South Bank display there will be two other exhibitions in London and one in Glasgow, dealing in more detail with architecture, science and heavy engineering, respectively, and two travelling exhibitions, telling the same story as South Bank, but providing opportunities for showing different selections of goods, will visit provincial centres during the Festival summer.

Selection of exhibits

As to organisation, it will be readily appreciated that an enterprise as complex as the South

villions and sections will embrace homes and gardens, new schools, health, sport and the seaside.

The foregoing brief general layout, of course, takes no account of the numerous industrial products and articles that will be exhibited in the various sections, although one could hazard a guess as to what might be expected to be appropriate.

For example, in the natural resources section, British raw materials and their increasing use are the keynote and the exhibits include coal cutting and loading plant, a flame-proof internal combustion locomotive, a power-driven conveyor and winding machinery, one or two of which will be full size, but the remainder are likely to be models.

Industry's large pavilion

Industry itself is housed in a large pavilion giving the story from raw materials to finished products. It will display the harnessing of power, the uses and processing of metals, the structure of British industry and the role of research, design, and management in the modern industrial organisation and will outline the wide scope and achievement of British industries by the selection of outstanding processes, machinery and techniques from several groups including metal working, wood working, rubber and plastics, pottery and glass, textiles, food and food machinery.

The pavilion devoted to Sea and Ships will display aspects of Britain's marine supremacy from shipbuilding to fisheries and the very large Transport Section will present the best current British practice in all forms of transport and communications, the exhibits including even uniforms, travelling clothes and luggage.

The main buildings of the Exhibition, some 30 in all, including restaurants and administrative buildings, but excluding the LCC Concert Hall, are to be temporary structures composed of a wide variety of materials. The latest techniques of illumination will be used, some for the first time.

Open spaces between the pavilions will themselves provide opportunities for a display of landscape gardening which will include fully-grown trees transplanted on to the site, and ornamental water at many points.



"That reference is from my Sunday-school teacher, but I must admit it's ten years old!"

illustrate a particular section of the story. It will, therefore, be no reflection on an industry, or on a particular manufacturer not to be included.

Not a trade fair

It follows that the Exhibition will not be a trade fair such as the BIF, where industries and businesses can buy exhibition space, but because the manufactured exhibits will be selected for the credit they will bring to British industry, the Exhibition will be prestige advertising on a national scale and should powerfully reinforce Britain's export drive.

Nor will the goods exhibited be grouped industry by industry, but will be shown as far as possible in the settings in which they are principally applied. The background for the displays will be the living, working world of today, a particular aspect of which will give the title to each pavilion.

The South Bank site (approximately 27 acres) is small by comparison with recent national and international exhibitions. The covered area will not be much greater than Olympia, and the Exhibition will be only an introduction to any particular industry.

The visitor, particularly the trade inquirer, whether from home or overseas, will be well served by information bureaux in each main section and buyers, having seen the range of British manufactured goods in the Exhibition, will be encouraged to make contact with industry itself.

Bank Exhibition is only possible if it is planned and mounted by a single authority.

The prime responsibility for its success therefore rests with the Festival of Britain Office, 2, Savoy Court, London, W.C.2. A team of specialists is carrying out the theme of the Exhibition, and to ensure the proper representation of science and technology a large number of leading scientists, industrialists, engineers and technicians have been consulted.

Exhibition layout

Divided by the Hungerford Railway Bridge the Exhibition site lends itself to a layout based on two roughly semi-circular sequences of buildings. The sequences lying upstream from the bridge will tell the story of the Land of Britain and what the British have derived from it; the other, downstream, being concerned with the people themselves in their more domestic surroundings.

Upstream, the various sections will include natural resources, industry, sea and ships, transport, and what will be the most striking buildings in the Exhibition.

This building, to be known as the Dome of Discovery, will be the largest dome in the world with a diameter of 365 ft. and a height of 97 ft. and its material, aluminium, will be typical of the generation as was sheet glass and cast-iron of a 100 years ago.

Its story of British discovery and exploration will be the background of displays of British scientific instruments of world pre-eminence. Downstream, pa-

LOVE IS NOT SO EASY

By John Pocock

They have been talking in the streets, in the cafes, and at home, about those Seven Rules of Marriage which Andre Maurois wrote.

The great question was: Does a Frenchman's code of love hold true in Britain?

In London's Piccadilly I put that question to 26-year-old Donald Clive, an actor with a wife and three children.

"Maurois's rules are easier to write than to live up to," he said. "But he's 100 per cent right. I know I have improved since marriage and I'm grateful to my wife for changing me."

Completely calm and collected was 33-year-old Beth Ross, of Kingston. "Every woman knows in her heart that she will never meet her ideal—the all-powerful, all-giving hero who demands nothing that Maurois talks about."

"But when she meets the second-best she knows that he's really just as good and probably more satisfying."

But Miss Ross would add to M. Maurois's Seven Rules an Eighth. She said: "A man and woman with different outlooks on religion or politics should not get married."

"If they do marry, their differences will remain a permanent breeding ground for quarrels."

The naggers

Miss Ross thinks that a nagging wife very often breaks up a marriage. Her husband's annoying habits should be corrected very carefully.

"For instance," she said, "if the husband likes to take off his coat, loosen his tie, and roll up his sleeves before sitting down to a meal, the wife must realise that it is not intentional bad manners."

"Instead of nagging him about it, she might say: 'Wouldn't you be more comfortable, dear, if you wore a dressing-gown?'"

Also putting the blame on women was 25-year-old Robert Darrow, who is working in a London chain store.

"Maurois is right, but too many popular girls make their own rules," he said. "I prefer what Americans call 'homely' girls. Every pretty girl should realise that for three-quarters of the remainder of her life she will have to live without her beauty and be judged by her personality."

A cynical comment came from Mr. William T., a 32-year-old business man and former RAF navigator, who lives with his wife in a London suburb.

Mr. T. thinks that his marriage is falling because his wife is "too loving and too keen on looking after me. She never stops fussing."

The most experienced and mature view on the Seven Rules of Love came from brisk, early-middle-aged Jim Seymour, who

knows both Britain and America, and now lives in Kensington.

"Andre Maurois leaves out a lot," he said. "First, how do you know whether you are in love or not? I think Samuel Butler said, you should take your girl out in a boat and if, when you are both seasick, you forget your own sickness and comfort her, then you are in love."

Moods of men

Mr. Seymour went on: "Maurois writes about the woman's change in mood, due to physical causes. But men are just as changeable. Their moods are usually caused by overwork, business worries, or indigestion."

"And Maurois says that 'the sensuality of the woman is slower and harder to arouse than that of the man. That's not strictly true. The amorous wife and the meek little husband are a common and disastrous combination."

"Maurois should have stressed trust. The wife should allow her husband to go, out without imagining an affair with his secretary. The husband should let his wife have her own friends, without worrying over the handsome neighbour."

"Of course, the husband will always have his roving eye. Of course, his wife will want to show off by flirting at parties."

As long as it's out in the open they are not being unfaithful.

"The trouble is that too many women—but very few men—love a little bit of drama and deception."

Postscript by Iris Ashley:

I am pretty well in agreement with all M. Maurois has to say about Love and Marriage except the bit about 'Women' liking to be loved by an all-powerful, all-giving hero who demands nothing."

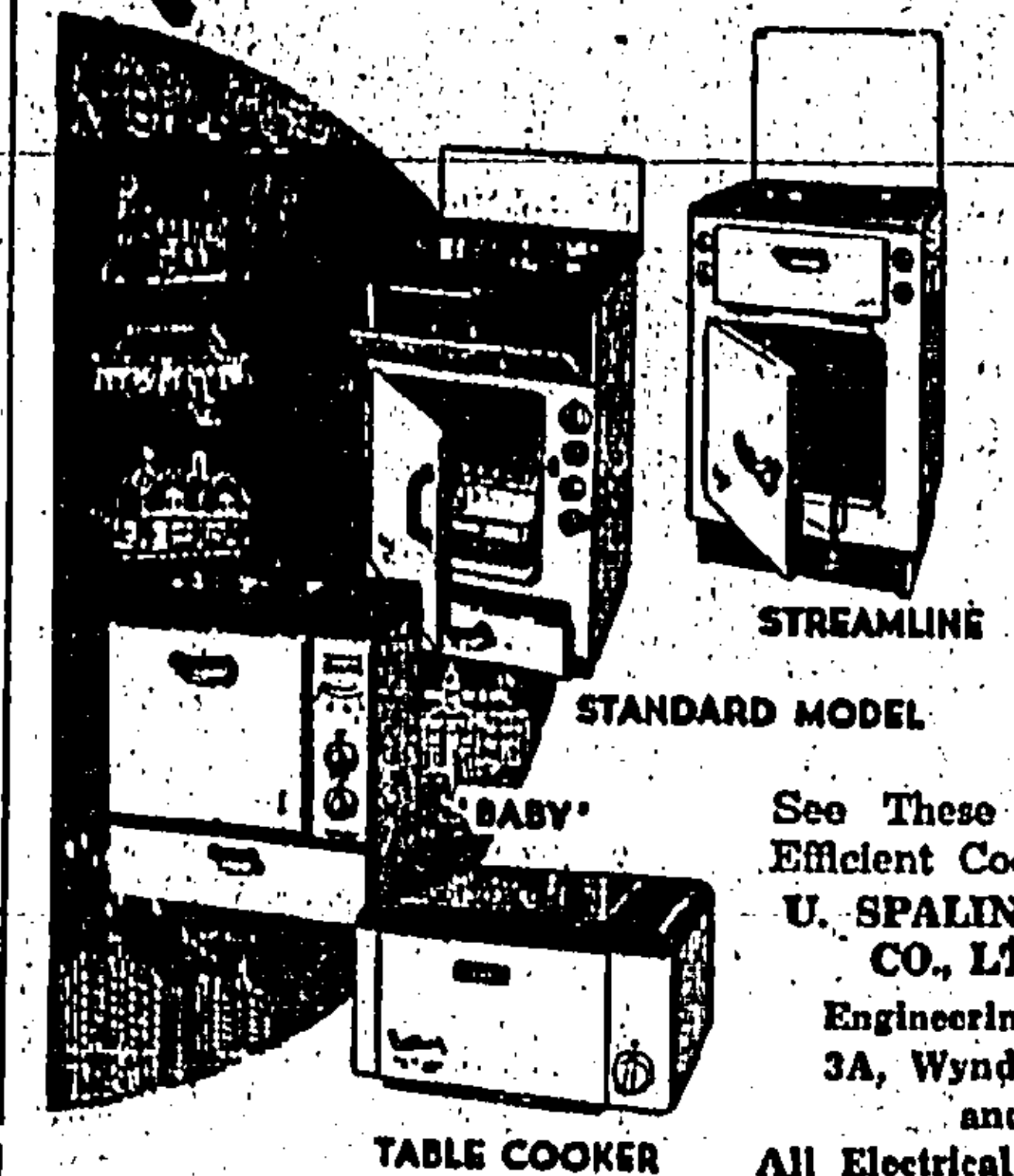
"Which sounds deadly dull to me. Most women like having something demanded of them—chiefly themselves."

Me, I think it very odd that so many men should know just how to court and win a woman; and then, having won her, that they should seldom if ever occur to them to continue using this knowledge."

Also it seems strange that so many women like a man well enough to marry him, and then set about trying to change the poor chap from start to finish.

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Since his arrival in the Colony seven months ago, he has done a lot to reform the organization of his Consulate so that today, as the sole Philippine diplomatic representation along the China coast, it is efficiently and persistently conscious of its important mission.

Dr. Rodriguez is a big man, and true to the characteristics of people of his size, too kind-hearted to escape embarrassment every



Dr. Jose V. Rodriguez

now and then. A pathetic story has more than once given the teller a visa which a diplomat with less susceptibility to emotion might refuse.

Now 49 years of age, the Consul-General is a product of the three influences which have moulded Filipino life. He is Filipino by birth, Spanish by education and American by habit. His outlook is broad in the Iberian sense, but the manner of his attire, his open-mindedness, and his swift outbursts of feeling are typical of the U.S.A. And like the easily-changeable Mediterranean climate of which he is so fond, his temper is as easily dissipated as it is aroused.

He speaks Spanish fluently, thereby aligning himself with the bloc of tri-lingual Filipino diplomats who are at home in two of the most widely-spoken languages in the world.

Dr. Rodriguez visited Europe soon after the war, and lingered for many weeks in Spain because he was unable to tear himself away from scenes which provoked nostalgia. Talking about the attraction of intangibles the other

day, he told me that Spanish civilisation made him quite humble.

When he was in Seville it was hard for him to detach himself from the suggestion that Rossini's opera was actually achieving animation for his benefit. In Barcelona when they pointed to the little house where Gaudi, in the most unparalleled gesture in the history of art, told Sebastian, his pupil, that the Master was now secondary, he almost sensed the consequences of Renaissance ideals which made that possible.

And in Madrid when a matador was almost gored to death by an irate bull, he was at one with the mad excitement of the crowd, at one with their national glorification of bravery and death, of blood and sand.

Despite 45 years of American predominance in the Philippines, Dr. Rodriguez says an affinity with Spain continues to exist among the people of his country. They are still Spanish-speaking, and the older generations are still notoriously Latin in their temperament, but among the younger people an inevitable Americanisation is beginning to emerge.

Takes the form principally of a gradual loss of respect for the opinions of elders, a craving for racy enjoyments, and a confusion of modernity with the best.

Dr. Rodriguez believes that the Americans have done wonders for the Philippines economically, and it is also principally due to their efforts that literacy has virtually been eliminated. But gone, too, are many of the fine qualities, the continental mannerisms, the magnificent traditions which the Filipinos inherited from their first conquerors, and the passing of which he regrets.

He was a Senator from Cebu in the Philippine Senate for some years before he entered the diplomatic corps in 1949. Before 1941 he was Professor of Medicine at the University. His father was one of the first members of the Philippine Congress, and assumed his seat in 1905.

Dr. and Mrs. Rodriguez have no children. She is at present in Manila on an extended stay.

Politically Dr. Rodriguez is pro-administration, and in the international arena he is a steadfast adherent of Western standards. Hong Kong is his first diplomatic post, and he is enjoying the task. He belongs to a family that was associated for a long time with high affairs of state. His aunt, for instance, was the first wife of President Sergio Osmeña, and a cousin of his was the Governor of Cebu.

Erudite, pleasant, and soft-spoken, Dr. Rodriguez does his job without a flourish of trumpets. He is esteemed by members of his staff, who believe quite rightly that greater fortune for him lies immediately ahead.

Face worth a fortune

Miss Li Li-hwa is perhaps the most beautiful woman ever to grace the world of the Chinese cinema. The latest poll places her at the top of the list of favourites, and her popularity is regarded as a genuine thing. Her most notable quality is a complete lack of affectation, and



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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

By The SCRIBE

the impression is even sustained that she is unaware of her power to attract.

She is shy, after the fashion of Chinese whose contact with the great world outside their immediate orbit is yet to be. Small and dainty, her proportions are so perfect that to look at her is to understand Mr. John Gunther's sweeping generalisation that the Chinese figure is the best in the world.

Now 24 years of age, Miss Li is able to look back on a career already 11 years old. She acts with great sincerity, although directors are sometimes hard put to it to suppress an attitude of buoyancy which her personality injects into the most dramatic of roles.

She is living with her mother in a small flat on Chatham Road, and is supporting a young brother whom she plans to send to America very soon. She is essentially interested in her career, and is working not only because she must earn her living, but because she likes this particular sort of work.

Miss Li spends a small fortune on her wardrobe every month, and her collection of Chinese frocks are of all colours from crimson to black. She has a large assortment of jewels, which she seldom uses—because of a sense of modesty, I suspect.

Her one regret is that she is unable to talk English, but she tells me that she is exerting every effort to master this difficulty, because her ambitions are boundless and because she wishes one day to star in a foreign-produced film. Just now she is making a Chinese adaptation of a Dostoevsky story from a scrip prepared by Mr. Yao Hsing-nung, the well-known playwright.



Miss Li Li-hwa

Miss Li had her early training in Chinese opera, and switched to films when intuition pointed to the silver screen as the best vehicle for her talents.

She had a foretaste of international renown sometime ago when "The" magazine published a full-page photograph of her after the picture "Barber Takes A Wife" had most of the barbers of the country in a state of agitation for weeks.

In it she acted as a poor-girl assuming the role of a make-believe heiress, and was regarded as a make-believe millionaire playboy. Their antics reached high comedy, but thousands of Chinese barbers protested that

the honour of their profession was sullied.

Miss Li has been in Hong Kong since 1948. She came here from Shanghai, where she was born. She is not yet reconciled to South China and is hoping that conditions in the North will permit her to return there soon.

Her work takes up so much of her time that she has none to spare for relaxation in night clubs, but she admits that dancing is one of her weaknesses.

Interesting visitor

Hong Kong is one of the most charming places in the world, and a haven of security and peace in comparison with other Far Eastern cities. There is a type of orderliness here which some other places would do well to copy.



Señora Christina Cuenca

These views were expressed by Señora Christina Cuenca, Filipino delegate to a United Nations conference in Bangkok, on the eve of her return to Manila last week. She told friends at the airport that she will be back, because Hong Kong is in many respects a "dream come true."

Señora Cuenca is the wife of a prominent engineer and a member of several Filipino women's organizations. In Bangkok she spoke on behalf of Asiatic women, and urged the passage of UN resolutions which would remove the differentiation of sex for all time from international meetings.

Coming to Hong Kong was a wonderful experience because everything here is so clean, she said. People do not storm and fight when they enter buses, trains or ferries. They do not spit indiscriminately, and they have even been trained not to dispose of their trash tickets at random but to hold on to them until they reach waste-paper baskets.

Comparing Hong Kong to Manila, Señora Cuenca told me that in the Philippines the people assert such independence in their behaviour on the streets that they will never be conditioned to cross thoroughfares only at specific points.

She left the Colony with several trunk-loads of articles which she said are only procurable here. British textiles topped the list, and French perfumes came second. She said she was unable to resist the attractions of Hong Kong shops, which are loaded with some of the loveliest things in the world.

Señora Cuenca is a prominent social worker. She talked with warmth and feeling on social conditions in Asia. Her trip to Bangkok and contact with representatives of other Far Eastern countries convinced her that Asia requires to be lifted from her social morass immediately or the consequences of delayed action will be irreparable.

This mother of four children gave me the impression that she feels the lot of Asia's millions will only improve when the average Asiatic realises that inequality in outlook is the cause of most ill.

Señora Cuenca has an aura of distinction and charm. She is a very capable representative of her country. Her interests are chief, and she gives no indication whatever that three weeks ago she became a grand-mother.

She has travelled extensively in the Far East, and intends to visit Europe later this year. People are interested but they are so fundamentally alike, she said. The United Nations organization in Bangkok is doing a splendid job, but even there she could not escape the impression that delegates argued more than they agreed with each other.

When we learn that it is more interesting to say 'yes' than to say 'no', we will be a long way nearer peace," she declared.

Leaves Hong Kong

Mrs. Catherine Madar, well-known business woman, left Hong Kong by air last week for Bangkok. The flight severed a connection of many years with the Colony.

She flew to the Siamese capital in order to join her husband, who has gone there to head the local branch of RKO Radio Pictures. In Bangkok she has had to resign from her position as secretary to Mr. William O'Neill, Reuters manager for the Far East.

Mr. and Mrs. Madar have been well-known in the Colony since 1937 when they first came down from Shanghai. Mr. Madar was a prominent member of the Kowloon Cricket Club, where he achieved distinction in cricket and lawn bowls. He took part in several inter-province matches between Hong Kong and Shanghai. He also played a lot of soccer.

All last week Mrs. Madar was busy attending a round of farewell parties. Most keenly regretting her departure are members of Reuters staff, many of whom have known her for a



Mrs. Catherine Madar

long time. She was with Reuters for 25 years, and her service alternated between Hong Kong and Shanghai.

Reuters has a small Bangkok office—nothing like the large establishment Mr. O'Neill maintains here, but he told her before she left that he plans to make an opening for her there.

In telling me the other day how sorry he is to lose the services of such a valuable staff member, Mr. O'Neill said: "In losing Mrs. Madar we are losing one of our best and most capable workers. She has saved me a prodigious amount of trouble over the years, and I cannot sufficiently express my gratitude. I am hoping that some time in the future we may be able to occupy the same billets again, so that her valuable services will again be available to us."

The Madars have an unmarried daughter, Jasmine, who is living in Canada.

A modern evangelist

Mr. Fordyce Detamore, of the Seventh Day Adventist Mission in Hong Kong, is the man who years ago first suggested the possibilities of religious broadcasting.

Long before anyone else thought of putting the Bible on the air, Mr. Detamore persuaded the Kansas City radio station to let him conduct a programme. He offered a free Bible course and within a week was receiving more mail than any other programme.

From such humble beginnings, Mr. Detamore told me the other day, grew the great American broadcast programme entitled "The Bible Auditorium of the



Mr. Fordyce Detamore

Air" which goes on a Constant Coast hook-up one night every week.

Born of evangelist parents in Singapore, he was reared in the Orient, and was engaged in church work all his life. Mr. Detamore is a firm believer in Christ, and I have yet to meet a man who is able to interpret the Bible as convincingly or satisfactorily as he. He finds an answer to that great book for all our contemporary problems.

He has a warm radio voice, and is a born speaker. He tosses thoughts into the air like an India-rubber ball, and veers in steadily to his subject or his theme. He is astonishingly eloquent.

Together with Mr. H. Meissner, Mr. Detamore conducts Bible lectures twice a week in Hong Kong and Kowloon, and he is credited by the growing attendance. These lectures are remarkable in that they attempt to explain the Bible in terms of contemporary happenings so that even references to the Atomic Bomb and a Sovietised world are detected in the Revelations and the Book of Genesis and held up as prophecies in the process of fulfilment.

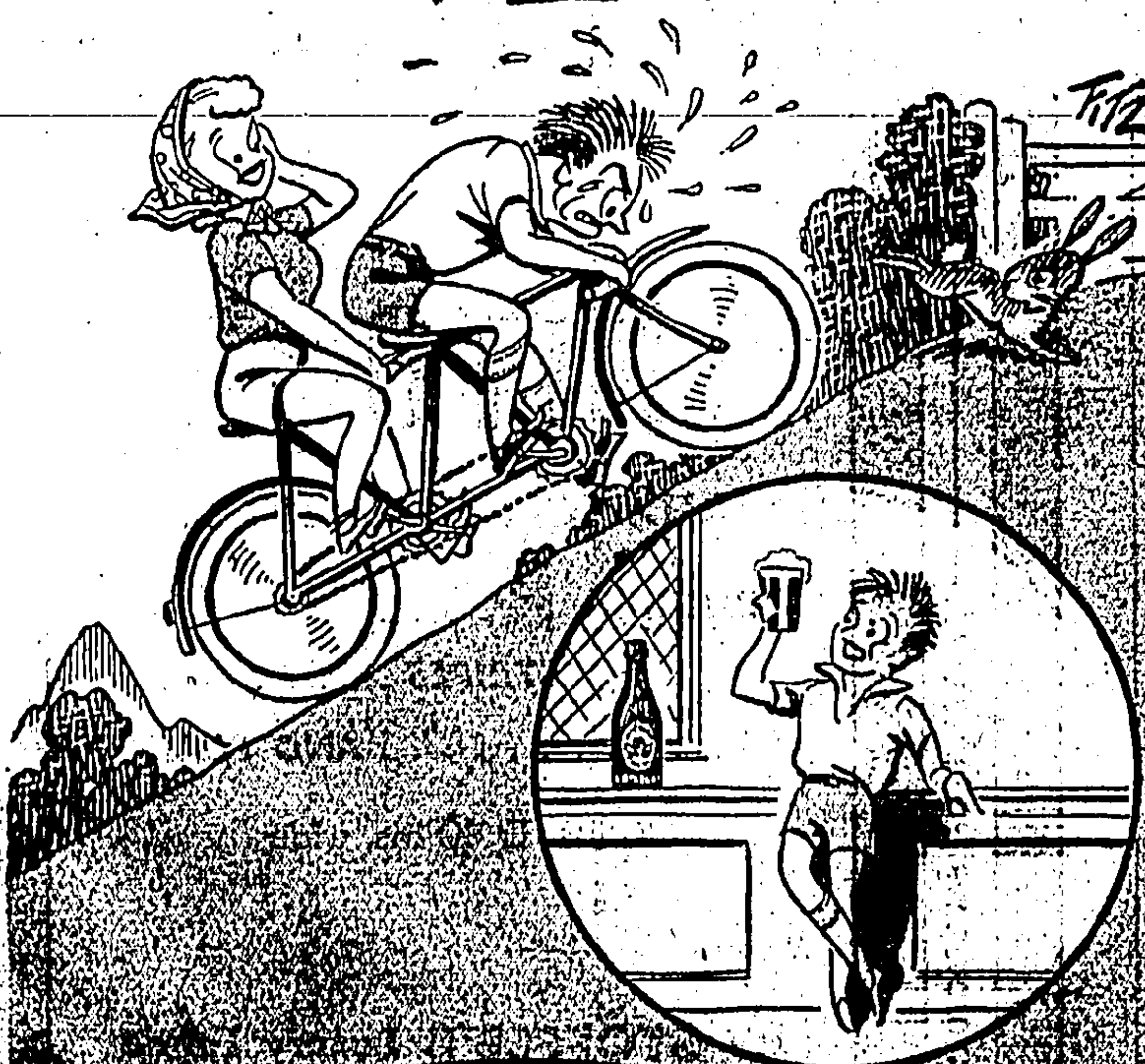
Dr. Detamore believes advertising is quite all right for religion. He explains that if people advertise to promote interest in business, why should anyone object if he uses advertising to promote interest in God?

He is married and the father of three children, one of whom is here with him and Mrs. Detamore.

A small man, he destroys any illusion of helplessness when he is on a stage, lecturing on his favourite theme: "What Does the Bible Say About the End of the World?"

Dr. Wang Chiu-an recently arrived in the Colony from the United States and Canada, where he received Canadian qualifications. A graduate (1933) of the Harvard Medical School, he remained in the United States for three years, as house surgeon of the Massachusetts General Hospital, before returning to his native province (Kwangtung) in 1947. He then joined the faculty of the Lingnam Medical School, and in 1949 became Director and Surgeon of the Hackett Medical Centre in Canton.

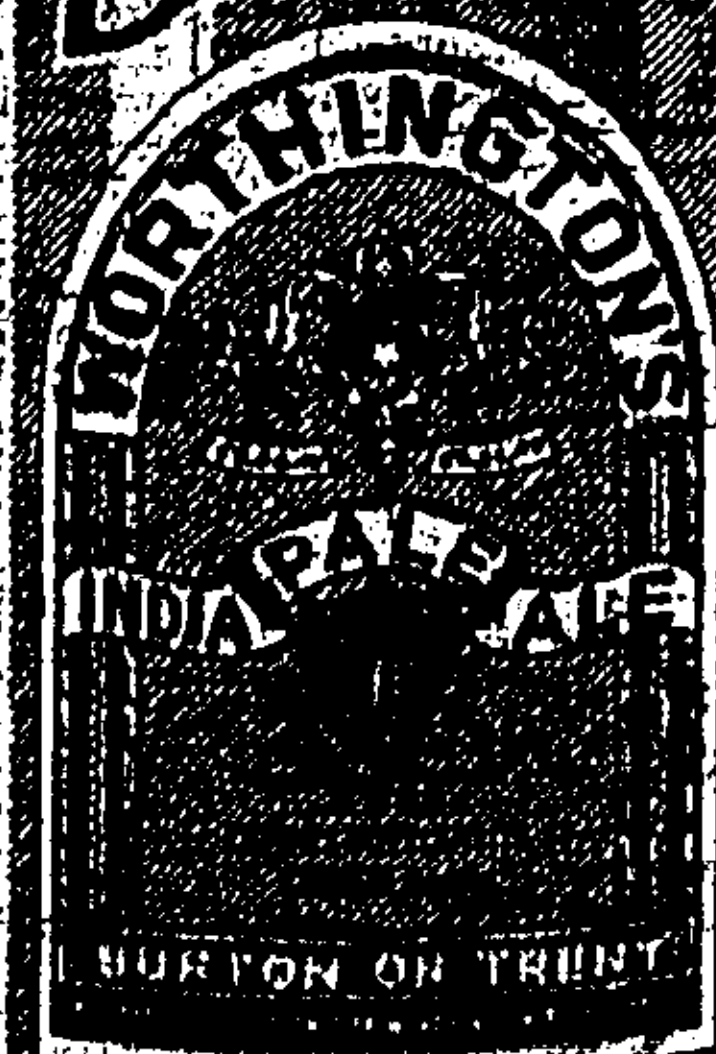
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FUCHS: THE GESTAPO TIPPED ALLIES OFF

Even greater than the sensation of the case of Klaus Julius Fuchs, the man who gave the atom bomb and the hydrogen bomb to Russia, are the revelations which will follow his confession.

For Fuchs has told all. He has told agents of M.I.5 all he knows about Russian espionage inside the atomic research stations in Britain and the United States. He has given data and details, times and places. He has given names.

Already there are many people in Britain under M.I.5 surveillance. They are watched day and night. Their past records have been brought from the files and are under check. Further prosecutions are likely.

The full story of the Fuchs confession has been sent to J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the American Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The details have caused a flurry in the F.B.I. For it is in the United States that most of the new arrests will occur.

Men who betrayed
Fuchs has named men in America who are at this moment still engaged in work concerning atomic weapon research.

The full confession of Fuchs has not been made public. Sir Hartley Shawcross merely intimated at the trial that Fuchs had endeavored to make amends for his treachery.

The part of the confession which was omitted was that incriminating some of Fuchs' Communist associates in the fantastic web of Soviet espionage.

Make no mistake. The case of Klaus Fuchs has astonished both M.I.5 and the American F.B.I. Never before has any country had such an intricate and effective spy system as Soviet Russia has today. Never have any spies sent to their masters such invaluable information as Fuchs and his fellow Communists betrayed to the Soviet.

They gave Russia the atom bomb secrets. There is no doubt of that. They have also supplied Russia with details of the hydrogen bomb. There is no doubt of that either.

The result is that already Russia has atom bombs at least as powerful as those which hit Nagasaki and Hiroshima. It is even possible that Russia may perfect the hydrogen bomb before the Western Powers.

On Hitler's black-list
Fuchs and company saved them at least two years' work on the

bomb and five years' on the hydrogen bomb.

I have learned these facts as the result of investigations which I and other reporters have carried out.

By John Ralph

ried out since Fuchs was arrested. It is the most extraordinary story we have yet uncovered.

Who first gave the warning that Fuchs was a Communist? It was not the Americans. From official German sources I learn that it was Hitler's secret police, the Gestapo.

Fifteen years ago, soon after Fuchs had arrived in Britain as a refugee from the Nazis and while he was still under "suspicion" here, the Gestapo announced that Fuchs was a Communist and completely under the influence of Marxism.

It was a pity that at the same time the Gestapo was also naming as Communists other refugees whom we know to be quite "respectable." Thus the warning concerning Fuchs was not given the attention it otherwise would have received.

His background was, however, investigated. Fuchs was given a clean sheet. He could not do anything about his previous association with the German Communists. Fuchs was given the label: "Not politically minded. Keen young physicist who objects to Nazi methods."

There was no reason, and certainly no evidence, to believe otherwise.

It was the Ministry of Supply which encouraged young Fuchs in his atomic research ambitions. It was the Home Office which, without difficulty, granted him British nationality.

Searching for 'leak'
M.I.5 has been severely criticised for allowing Fuchs, undetected for years, to carry out his work for Russia. Hitherto it was a British boast that their counter-espionage, which succeeded in capturing every Hitler spy during the war years, most of them as soon as they set foot in the country, was the best in the world.

Yet the hunt for the atom spy, which resulted in the arrest of Fuchs, was not begun until Hoover's F.B.I. sent word to Britain.

What was Hoover's message? It was simply that there was a leak in atom secrets somewhere and would Britons investigate from their end? That was in August last year.

Immediately the full resources of M.I.5 went into action. Ex-

well, and the Universities where atomic research is carried on were watched.

It was by a process of elimination that the hunt was narrowed to two scientists. Fuchs was one of them. Sir Percy Sillitoe, M.I.5 chief, sent William Skardon to see Fuchs. Skardon found him in his home at Harwell.

Thirty-eight-year-old Skardon, seconded two years ago from the Yard Special Branch and formerly a uniformed police constable in the Metropolitan Police, soon broke down Fuchs's front of perplexed inoffensiveness.

Thus in six months from the bare intimation that there was "a leak" somewhere in Anglo-American atom secrets M.I.5 had presented their case to the Public Prosecutor against Klaus Julius Fuchs.

Simultaneously they passed on to the Americans all the data of Soviet espionage in the U.S.A. which Fuchs had given them.

Building the case against Fuchs presented tremendous difficulties. As the hunt grew closer the danger was that the quarry might sense what was happening and disappear. There was nothing to stop Fuchs on any suspect from leaving the country. M.I.5 technique was invaluable. Their men took jobs inside Harwell. No suspect was allowed out of sight. Not even the top chiefs inside knew that M.I.5 was watching.

The first Fuchs knew was when there was a tap at his bungalow door one night and Skardon politely introduced himself and asked if he might ask a few questions.

Despite the fact that it was the Americans who first suspected "a leak somewhere" last August no arrests have yet been made in the United States. Fuchs's information, however, has brought the F.B.I. right down to the very men who have sold information to the Kremlin.

What was the secret of Fuchs's success? It was, as he openly admitted in his confession, his ability to mix ably with his fellow workers and at the same time betray the result of their work to Russia, betray, too, the country which had given him asylum and friendship without giving the least sign of his Jewish and Hyde personality.

What did Fuchs mean when he spoke of "other crimes" in his confession?

He referred to his treatment of his fellow scientists. He was particularly upset on account of Professor and Mrs. Plesis, who befriended him and entertained him at their home.

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Telling them how

The sensational thing on Broadway this winter is the smash hit success of T. S. Eliot's "Cocktail Party."

No one expected it, and despite its many brilliant written passages it doesn't make a play to me any more than it did in Edinburgh. It was, of course, given a thorough Broadway treatment. Mr. Eliot even going so far as to write a textbook for critics and audiences in the form of an article saying that audiences and critics must be prepared to learn from authors how to appreciate their works.

Come, come, Mr. Eliot, the theatre consists of two parts—the case and the audience.

If the author cannot make his point with his audience, in the technical medium that is available to him—and the superb acting in this play gives his lines their maximum value—then he has not learnt his job.

Neither Mr. Shakespeare nor Mr. Shaw, who incidentally is picking them in for "The Devil's Disciple" and "Caesar and Cleopatra" (to the tune of \$130,000 in the past two weeks), have shown any difficulty in communicating his thoughts; nor indeed has that much more obscure playwright M. Barre.

Selling value

But Mr. Eliot's play remains a sermon; and it is a sermon without to most people—a text that is explicable: it is this enigmatised thesis that is part of its selling value.

Anyway, I hope the published edition will give some clue to the many harassed theatregoers who would like to understand, but don't want Mr. Eliot to drive at.

To his distinguished cast from England I can merely subscribe to the lavish bouquet they have received by saying they deserve them.

A Los Angeles airline advertised recently that it would pay the wedding expenses of all couples who eloped in its planes.

In New York a woman posted a notice that she had "exchanged" for her friends.

Three gunmen held up a Broadway jewel shop; they told the police later that there would have been four but "Joe was sick."

His Excellency the U.S. Minister to Ireland was promoted to His Excellency the Ambassador to Ireland because an Irish spinster told President Truman that it was about time he did something for the old country.

Polite brush-off

Mr. Hoffman was fighting his Economic Co-operation Administration appropriation through Congress. Mr. Adelson was protesting here and there and breaking off relations with Bulgaria. But nothing happened. Here had the slightest hope of drawing American attention from the awe-inspiring sight of the British people politely and democratically telling its Socialist masters it had had enough.

Election night here and the tremendous day of the Conservative rally aroused political excitement such as I have not seen since President Truman's re-election.

NEW YORK LETTER

In November, 1948 "It's the biggest thrill since the World Series," one busy driver told me. Then, when it was all over,

Americans wondered what had really happened, and in the manner of a people which too often lets its most intelligent, or its supposed most intelligent, people do its thinking, sat down and read all about it.

Class revenge

First election reactions came from Mr. Paul O'Dwyer, the mayor's brother "Labour's poor thing" is due to the presence of British troops in Northern Ireland and a continuance of tyranny over the neighbouring island.

More quietly, the New York "Times" said there had been a continuation of urban radicalism and rural conservatism, and that the Socialist loss of ground in the cities would indicate that the middle classes took revenge for policies that had discriminated against them.

Requests, both sober and ludicrous, gave way by the week-end; however, to diverse attempts to answer what would happen next in the field of Anglo-American relations.

Swinging away from the general impression, that the result couldn't have been worse and that the British Government was now as useful to the U.S. as the French, Anne O'Hare McCormick, whom I regard as the most lucid columnist here, took the stand that the Conservatives had almost as much responsibility and in seeing that the Government worked.

No statement, she considered, was more conscious than Mr. Churchill's of the crucial choices facing the West.

Not impossible

"It is not inconceivable that the new Government, instead of being weaker, may be stronger in the foreign field. Its diminished following at home makes a bipartisan front more important. Certainly the Conservative influence will tend to ease Labour's rather doctrinaire approach to the problems the U.S. and Britain have to solve together."

"This suggestion may sound far-fetched, but it is based on the assurance that Britain's aim under either party is to strengthen her position in the world."

Washington sources followed the "party line" that the result couldn't be worse apart from side-line jokers like Senator Keith, who said that American dollars had lost the election for Conservatives.

It is felt that bi-partisan approval would have to be obtained in Britain, before an early election, of all outstanding transatlantic and cross-Channel issues, and that last week's vote indicated

ed that the Socialists would have to make the concessions in order to implement such agreement.

Americans, who knew an amazing amount about election issues and Parliamentary procedure, were keeping their fingers crossed last week that the Socialists would not succeed in manoeuvring Mr. Churchill into an unpopular position on food subsidies and other issues. They expressed pride in the calm, reflective way the British had their elections.

On tiptoe

The New York City Ballet Company, which will visit England this summer, opened its four-week season at the City Centre with Igor Stravinsky's "Firebird."

Stravinsky himself travelled East to conduct, and his presence was partly responsible for the excitement of the evening, and for the enthusiasm of the audience.

George Balanchine, the choreographer, has turned the Russian fairy tale into a piece of late-like enchantment.

The young dancers of the company seemed to have profited from watching the Sadler's Wells ballet last autumn, dancing with far more consistency and unity than they have shown in the past.

Maria Tallchief, who is a full-blooded Cherokee Indian, has risen in American eyes above the more celebrated Rosella Hightower. It seems likely that she will arrive in Britain with the American equivalent position of a Margot Fonteyn.

NAMES IN LIGHTS

GRAHAM GREENE arrived here for the Boston trial of "The Hound of the Matter." Rodgers and Hammerstein are producing their adaptation of this best-seller.

ANTON KARAS, the zither man, is receiving specialised night-club offers, but as yet there is no sign of popular American acceptance of either the zither or "The Harry Lime Theme."

BURT LANCASTER attended T. S. Eliot's play, "The Cocktail Party" in an open-necked, checked lumberjack shirt and corduroy trousers. He kept his dark glasses on all evening, afterwards denied charges of "bad manners."

DOROTHY KERR and STEWART GRANGER are probable for M.G.M.'s "Ivanhoe."

RICHARD TODD (the Scottish soldier of "The Hasty Heart") has been voted not only the best new actor, but the best actor of 1949.

AIR MARSHAL SIR WILLIAM WELSH, in charge of the forthcoming exhibition of British motor cars here, cannot stop calling his mechanics "ground-crows."

GENERAL LAWTON COLLINS, Army Chief of Staff, has ordered P. T. in time to bobop chants as a new training measure.

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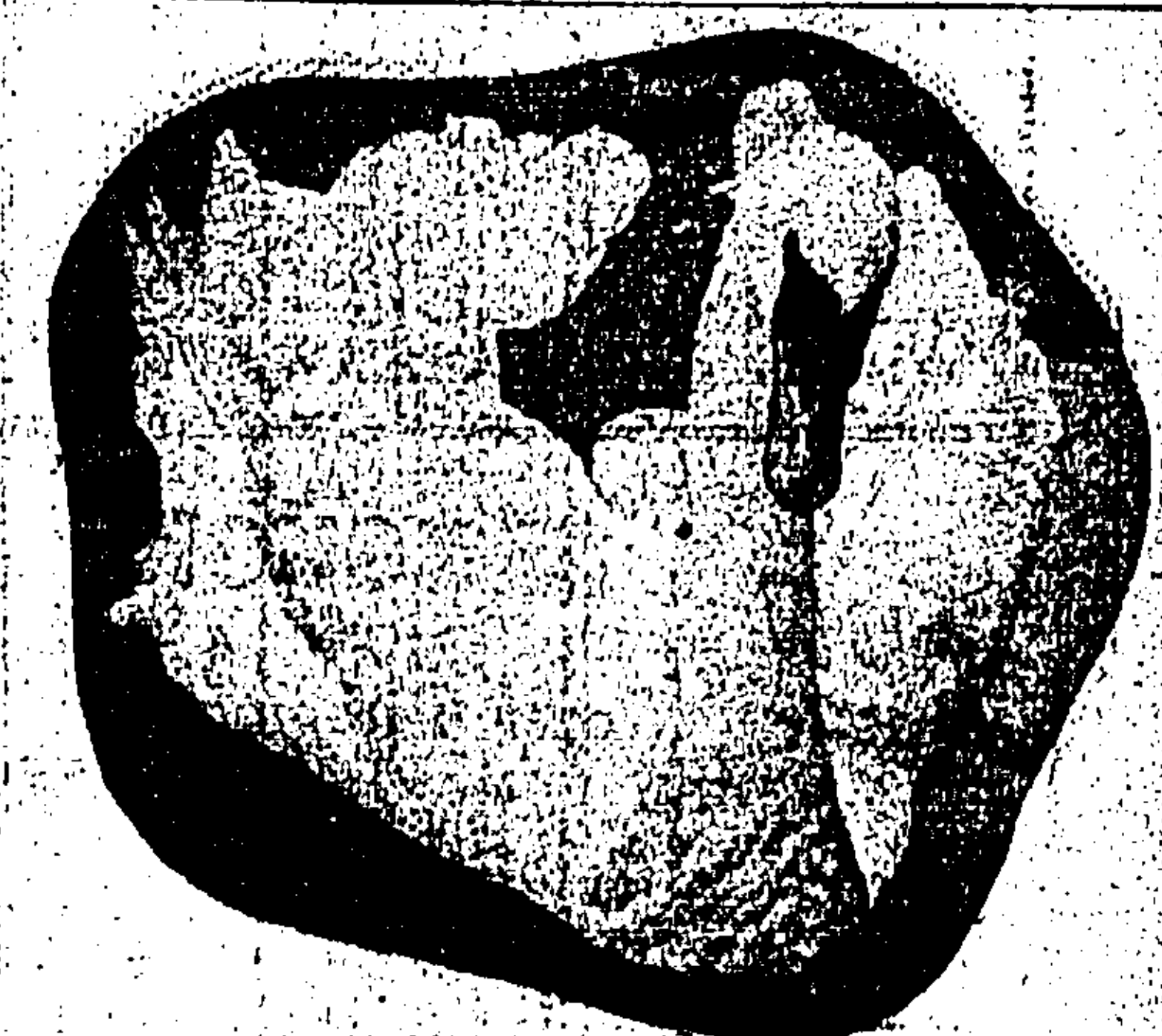
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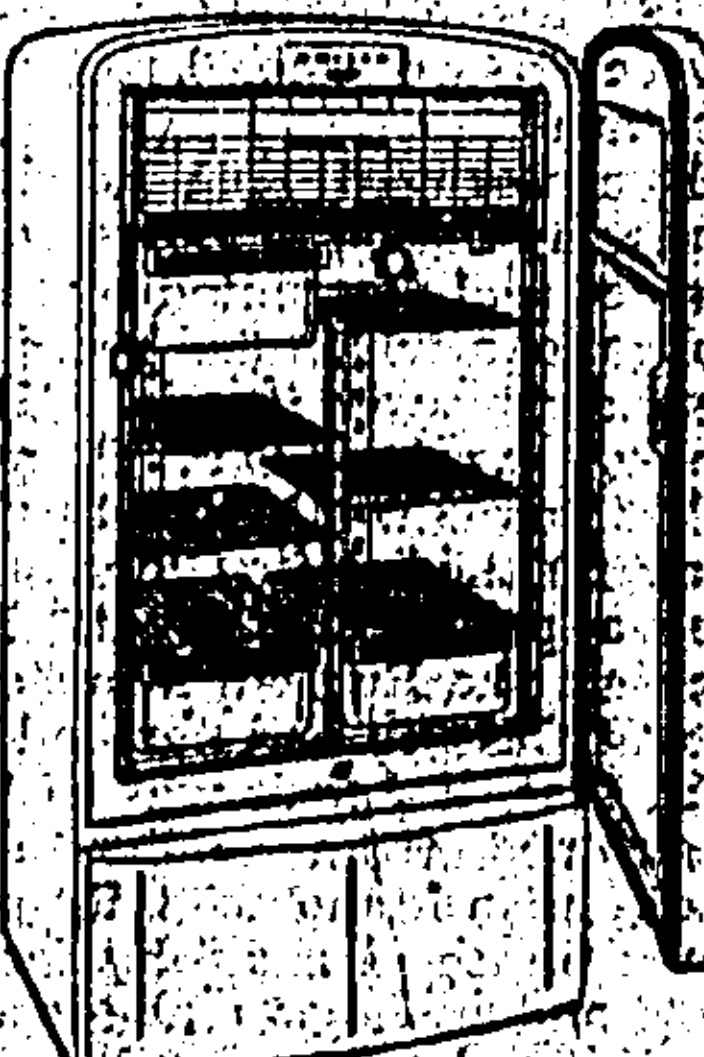
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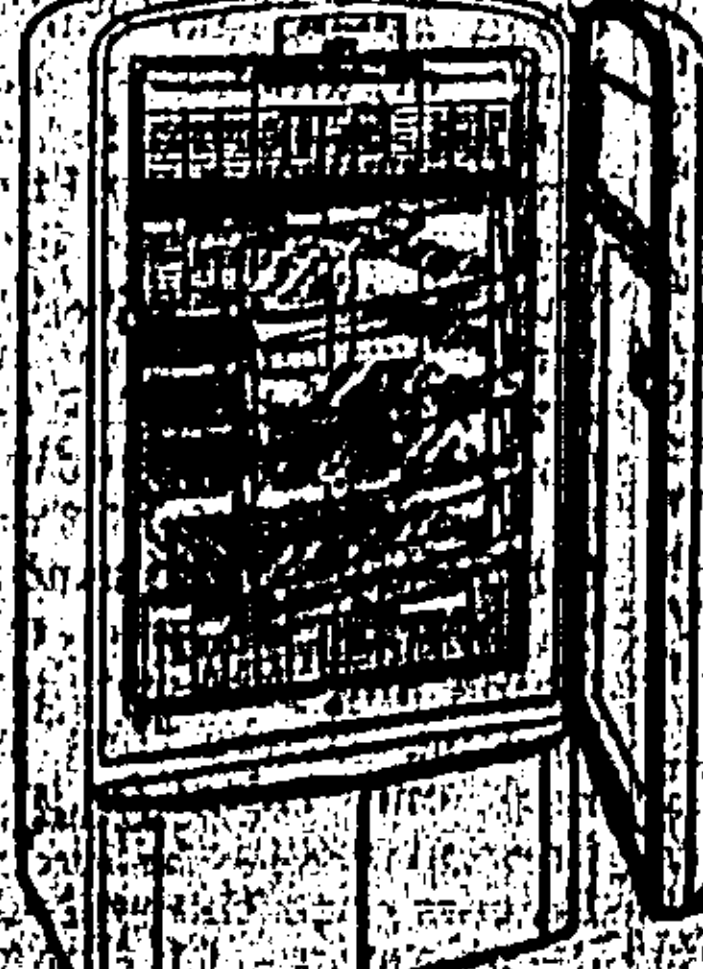
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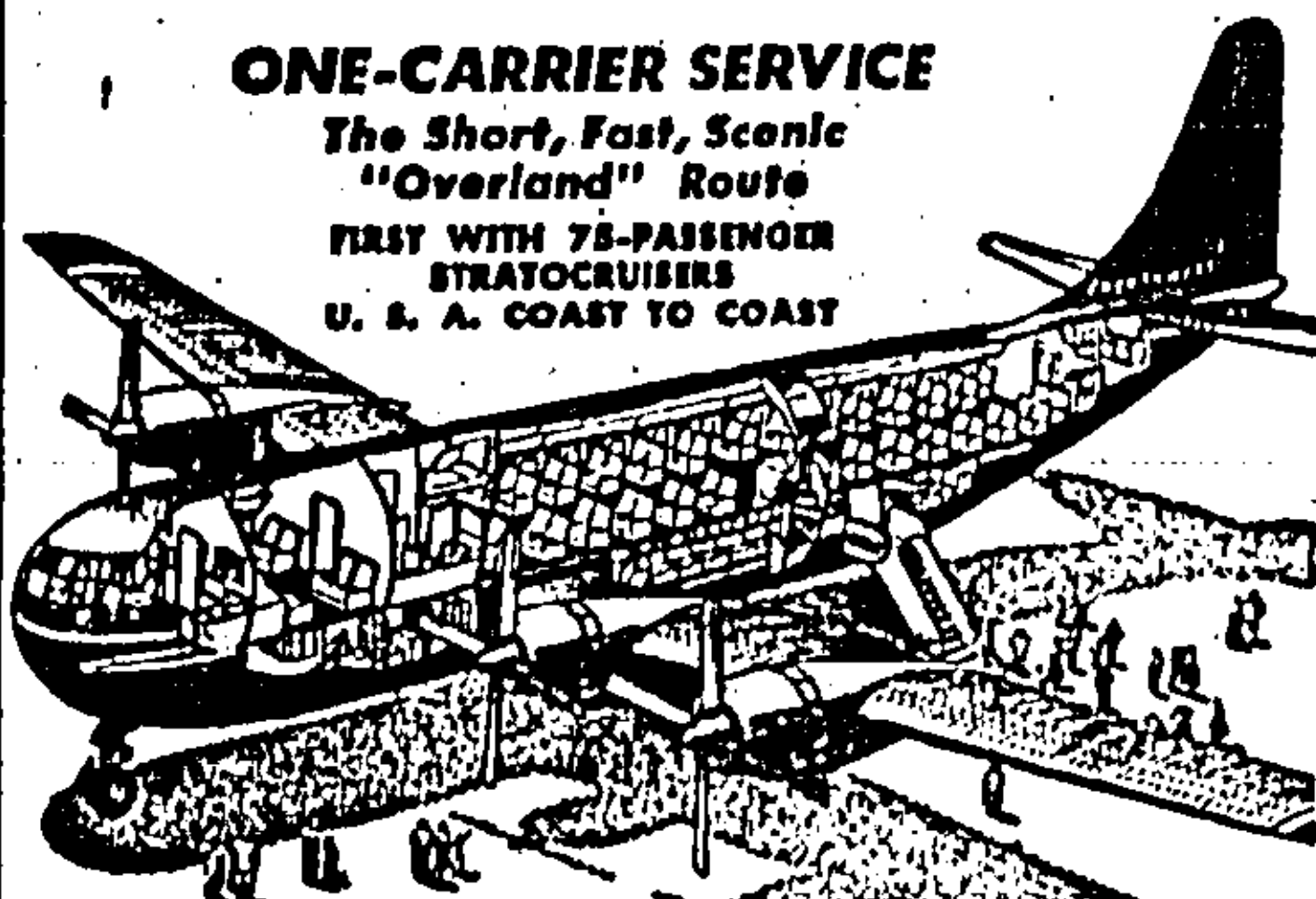
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WILLIAMS—To Dawn Vyvan
(nee Hill) wife of Nick Williams,
a daughter, sister for
Toby.

THE GAME OF PETER AND PAUL

"Russia is today our greatest
friend and our most-to-be-
feared enemy. She is our
friend because Great Britain
and France pose as friends also.
She wishes to be a better
friend than they. She is our
greatest enemy, because what
the Russians call the trend of
their destiny makes her so.
She dominates a large part of
Northern Asia, and hopes some
day to have preponderant
influence in China. She will
help us to keep Japan out,
because she herself wants to
get in."

This entry in the bogus
"Memoirs of Li Hung-chang,"
purporting to have been written
in Peking after the great
statesman's return from
Shimonoseki, sounded plausibly
like Li's known opinions
in his closing years, when
disillusionment fell upon the
great Chinese statesman.

"Fly away Peter—come
again Paul." So similar is the
Russian position in Manchuria
today to what it was at the
turn of the century, before the
Russo-Japanese War, that it
is of some interest to look
back half a century, to the
period that followed China's
crushing defeat by Japan. In
the war over Korea, Li Hung-
chang was made the scapegoat
for this defeat by his enemies
at Court. Small wonder that
he was willing to pay almost
any price to Russia in return
for the prospect of revenge.
But his subsequent relations
with Russia were the result
not of sudden impulse but of
defensive plans long and carefully
laid.

They hardly worked out as
well as he expected. He had
arranged for joint intervention
of Russia, Germany and
France against Japan's de-
mands. The Court knew this
secret background to the decision
to sign the Shimonoseki
Treaty with Japan. The provinces
and high provincial officials
did not, and Li Hung-
chang's return after the signa-
ture was the signal for an out-
burst of fierce execration.
Prince Li was again the
scapegoat, but he triumphed
later when Japan had to sur-
render to diplomatic force and
evacuated the Liaotung
Peninsula.

Henceforward his diplo-
macy in relation to Japan was
framed and dominated by the
obligations which he had in-
curred towards Russia. "He
knew," wrote J.O.P. Bland,
"that Russia would exact pay-
ment for the help to China and
he was prepared to pay it." In
Peking, the Russian Minister,
Count Cassini, had persuaded
him that, if Japan was to be
restrained from further at-
tacks upon Manchuria, Russia
must be given a strong foot-
hold and strategic advantages
in that region.

No time was lost in pre-
paring the ground. In December,
1895, the new understanding
had been cemented by crea-
tion of the Russo-Chinese
Bank, and plans laid for
Russia's policy of "peaceful
penetration" by means of the
Eastern Siberian Railway. Li
Hung-chang was assured, of
course, that Russia's motives
were purely self-defensive
and that Russia had no de-
signs on Chinese territory.
Li Hung-chang was a realist
and a bit of a cynic.

"He probably realised before
he died in 1901 that King Bog
was likely to prove quite as
hard a taskmaster as King
Stork, and that interest was
accumulating at a ruinous rate
on Russia's advances. Of
friendly co-operation, thus
gradually, the war found its
beginnings. The Russian
gave no Russia, and by
his antagonism to Japan, to

FRONTIER OF FEAR

Where the mountains
prolonging the Himalayas run
down to the Gulf of Tonkin
there is a place marked on
big-scale maps as the "Gate
of China."

It has added another—to that
series of "Frontiers of Fear"
which I began to investigate last
summer.

The frontier town of Indo-
China—or Vietnam, as it is now
called—is, at this point, Dong
Dang. Two miles to the North
brings you within sight of the
first Chinese village of Nam
Quan.

The "Gate of China" is a sheer
cliff in the rock. The road goes
no farther, but the wood-covered
bed of a single-track railway,
whose metals were pulled up
by the Chinese Nationalist troops
when they evacuated Indo-China
in April 1940, stretches uselessly
out of sight into the distance,
and over a little building beside
the track floats a red flag with
five yellow stars—one big, four
small.

This marks the post of the
Chinese Communist frontier
guards, who, I am told, if they
see you shoot.

But so far, if left alone, the
soldiers of Mao Tse-tung posted
along this frontier have behaved
correctly.

The rebels

The people causing trouble to
the French in this former colony
of theirs, which is now to be a
federal State of the French Union,
are the 80 per cent. of the
population who want complete
independence and refuse to re-
cognise the Government of the
Emperor Bao Dai, restored by
France to the throne he abdicated
in August 1945.

The chief towns and some of
the roads, are under French con-
trol, but for any journey in Indo-
China except by air a strong
escort is necessary.

Along part of the frontier the
Independence Party, which is
called the Vietminh, have direct
contact with those Chinese Com-
munist troops that have reached
the Southern border of China.

In this North Western sector
there are only isolated French
outposts, which are cut off by
land and have to be supplied by
air.

I have motored along the re-
maining 120 miles of road that

follow the boundary of China.

Every couple of miles or so are
fortified posts and watch-towers.

One hundred cars of all kinds
made up the convoy that brought
me in this way from Langson to
the Delta. I was given a seat be-
side the driver of one of the few
French civilian lorries. Painted on
its bonnet was the name "Le
Rescaper" (The Survivor).

"What does that mean?" I
asked the wiry little Frenchman.
He gave a wry smile. "Don't
you know what we call this
road?" he said. "It's known as
the Road of Death, because of
the many ambushes that have
been laid along it."

"My lorry was the only one
that wasn't burnt when the Viet-
minhs made their last big attack

By
G. Ward Price

on a convoy three months ago.
Fly Annamite lorry-crews were
killed."

The French colonel in com-
mand of the sector came to see
me off. He gave me a bottle of
white wine, some hard-boiled
eggs, and a big Colt automatic.
"In case . . ." he said.

Nothing happened on our day-
long journey through narrow
defiles that would provide per-
fect cover for an ambush.

On the way we passed a spot
that might have become historic,
for it was there, at Chi Ma, on
December 13 last, that the leaders
of the retreating Chinese National-
ist troops suggested to the
French officers guarding the fron-
tier with a handful of local
auxiliaries that the third world
war had already begun, and that
the best thing the French could
do would be to admit Chiang
Kai-shek's defeated followers and
then join forces with them to
resist Communism in China and
Indo-China alike.

Commandant Auril, who bears
the same name as the President
of the French Republic, replied
that he had no authority to start
another world war, but that, if
the Chinese nationalists would
hand over their arms tied up in
handcuffs and enter Indo-China
in detachments of 500 under their
own officers, they would be sup-
plied with food of which they

were short, and would be taken
care of as refugees.

In they came

After four hours of negotiation
in the white-washed messroom of
a little French fort—the Chinese
Nationalist general accepted these
terms, and 27,000 troops, with
1,000 women and children and
many followers, passed over into
Vietnam.

There I have found them living
contentedly in huts of their own
construction, being fed by the
French taxpayer at a cost of
25,000 a day.

This situation, however, is one
that can hardly last.

More and more Red troops
are moving down towards the
frontier of Indo-China.

In a couple of months' time,
when the spring comes, there is
likely to be a strained situation
here. The Communists cannot de-
mobilise their forces, for their
homes are far away and there is
no transport for them.

Meanwhile they must be fed.
No rice is available in Southern
China, whereas Indo-China, Siam,
and Burma, it is for that part
well as rubber, tin, coal, and oil,
all of which the new Chinese
Communist Government urgently
needs.

Nothing but the fear of starting
another world war will then
stand between the Chinese Com-
munist and the rich lands whose
borders they have reached.

The only country now main-
taining a strong military force on
the mainland of South East Asia
is France. It numbers 150,000.

Food lure

The occupation of Indo-China
by the Reds would give the
Chinese Communists virtual con-
trol of South-East Asia.

This would be not only military
but economic. It is for that part
of the Asiatic Continent that
India imports about half her an-
nual consumption of food, so
that if Mao Tse-tung's forces
could establish authority over the
four rice-growing countries, to
which they have drawn so near
they would be in a position to
hold the 300,000,000 of Indians
up to ransom.

The "neutrality point" of this
strategic situation is the frontier
of Indo-China. What happens
there in the coming months will
give the clue to Chinese Com-
munist intentions in this part
of the world.

FRANCE IN DANGER

The French Republic is
again profoundly shaken, not
from one quarter only, but
from several.

The main shock comes from
Moscow, and is delivered through
the trade unions controlled by
the French Communists, i.e., by
Russia's agents in France. The
orgs of strikes that they are in-

support a policy in home affairs
which led directly to the Boxer
rising, to widespread disaffection
and the beginning of the
anti-Dynastic revolution."

One wonders whether the
recent negotiations in Moscow
did not also repeat in some
respects the negotiations of
Li Hung-chang in Moscow.
The latter agreement was a
secret alliance, by virtue of
which Russia guaranteed
China's independence and in-
tegrity, while China reciprocated
by allowing Russian
railway extensions in Man-
churia. Li fought for the
right of the Chinese to build
the railway. M. de Witte was
immovable: "no railway, no
alliance." Then, says Bland,
came the memorable audi-
ences with the young and at-
tractive Tzar, whose "ex-
quisite deference" so appealed
to the veteran Chinese. He
urged Li to cast from his mind
all unworthy suspicions. The
end of a long course of ban-
quets and interviews was the
Manchurian Railway Convention
and the secret Treaty.

In those days the Russian
Minister stayed in Peking
and kept close contact with
the Court. This time the
Soviet Ambassador accom-
panied Mao Tse-tung to Mos-
cow and saw it through. This
time the deal is somewhat
different. Mao Tse-tung and
Chou En-lai—no doubt after
long arguments—were per-
suaded, in return for a mere
promise to return within three
years old Tsarist rights of
half a century ago, to hitch
their wagon to the Russian
star in the formidable negotia-
tions that the Kremlin hopes
to bring about in the near
future: negotiations that will
be worldwide and embrace
China and Asia no less than
Europe. There has already
been one Yalta: in trying to
prevent another, the Western
Powers are thus at a grave
disadvantage. Li Hung-chang
is quoted as reflecting: "How
strong this alliance would be
if Russia would not be in-
terfering with our own ac-
tivities."

Today the situation is better in
so far as France's economic con-
ditions are better. There is less
sheer misery and discontent
Communism to appeal to. But in
other respects it is worse.

Russia's agents have a much
better talking-point. True, the
demand for withdrawing the
French troops from Indo-China
is as strongly Russian in its mo-
tive as anything else in Com-
munist foreign policy.

Indo-China is coveted by
Moscow as a channel for its in-
filtration into all South-East
Asia—into Burma, Siam, Malaya,
Indonesia, and beyond them into
India itself. But that is not
now its look to the French par-
liament or workman whose age is
serving in the tropical discom-
forts of Tonkin.

Yet that is only one feature of
deterioration. The gravest is the
present discredit of Parliament
and the lack of national leader-
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the Socialist from the Govern-
ment that "third force" is dis-
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tried to arrange that the Social-
ists shall continue to support
the Government, though no
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long, yet nobody can last
long, precarious alternative be-
yond it. And this is a time
when a strong Government
Army in the saddle is particularly
needed for the nation.

But there is still worse. By
the end of this year, it is pre-
dicted, the world will be in a
state of chaos. The French
Government is in a position to
lose its hold on the French
people, and the French
people will be in a position to
lose their hold on the French
Government.

spiriting today is a repetition of
that inspired by them in the
autumn of 1948.

Now, as then, it is timed, not
by the labour situation in France,
but by Russia's political objects.

In 1948 he ordered the French
strike-outbreak in order to wreck
the Marshall Aid. In 1950 he is or-
dering a similar outbreak in order
to wreck the North Atlantic Pact
and to force France to yield to
the Communists in Indo-China.

In 1948 the Russian manoeuvre
failed. France's acceptance of
Marshall Aid went forward. It
has benefited the country enor-
mously, and gone far to re-

By Scrutator

establish its economic position.

But it was not solely on their
demerits that the 1948 strikes
were defeated. In the nick of
time, the Parliamentary leader-
ship which the nation had lacked
was forthcoming.

M. Quetion's Government,
based on the "third force" of
Catholic and Socialist democrats
combined against Right and Left
authoritarians alike—saw the
business through.

Less discontent

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Man on the beat

By Tom Fallon

The scene: Hollington, a
typical London suburb. It
is just before 2 p.m. Inspec-
tor Jackson is patrolling the
"late turn" relief for duty.
Six constables stand in line
for orders.

The Inspector posts them to
their beats (most of them have
two) and reads aloud the latest
information—descriptions of per-
sons missing, or wanted for crime,
and the rest. This done, he gives
his last-minute instructions.

"592! You'd better go straight
down to the High-street and deal
with that conglomeration of wait-
ing vehicles. Another child knock-
down there yesterday running
out behind a lorry."

"597! Far to many 'breakings'
on that Sunnyside estate. Put
some extra time in there. We've
got to stop it."

"Now, there was another robbery
in the division yesterday.
See that you all have a descrip-
tion of the wanted man, before
you go out."

The file of men march out to
keep their beats in Hollington
until 10 that night.

In something over half an hour
P.C. 592 Robson has restored
comparative normality among the
traffic in the High-street. He sets
off by bicycle across the centre of
his two beats.

He has an important date with
the children at the nearby school
at 3.45. This is an absolute must.

But what of the two beats in
the meantime?

Robson is a conscientious po-
lice-man. He was trained in the
days when a man was held re-
sponsible for one beat, and was
expected to know a good deal
about all that went on, and the
people who were to be found
there.

Something special

He has little taste for this busi-
ness of two large beats, with
hardly time to visit half of the
property on them, to say nothing
of the odd jobs which seem to
increase almost daily.

Today there is something
special ahead. What follows is
taken largely from his report.

It must have been round about
four o'clock when old Mrs. Hink-
ley, settled down in her armchair
for a rest.

She had hardly taken up her
knitting when the bell on the
front door rang. She sighed and
started for the door.

The silhouette of a man wear-
ing a frock coat and top hat, who
was being pushed by the High
Commissioner in Indo-China;
besides 2500 to M. Le Trocquer,
Socialist Vice-President of the
Assembly—the money being
supplied by an Indo-Chinese
agent representing Bao Dai.

One must at once admit that all
the three men concerned have
firmly denied receiving any
money. But General Revers has
in effect, counter-charged against
the politicians, by describing M.
Peyre as "more powerful, than
myself," which he could be only
if, like Stavisky, he had scattered
among Ministers and Deputies.

And probably few people real-
ly doubt that he did, or that it
was readily taken. And the
scandal has other ramifications;
it began with a confidential re-
port of the Chief of Staff to the
Government being found in the
possession of an adherent of the
Communist leader Ho Chi-minh.

Need for leadership

At a moment crying out for
Parliamentary leadership, no
episode could be more inopport-
une than one suggesting that
the Assembly in the Fourth Re-
public is as rotten as the
Chamber was in the Third. It is
made even worse by the direct
association between the alleged
corruption and Indo-China.

The danger is that, unless
French democracy can purge the
vice of irresponsibility, faction
and corruption which have
dogged it for the past 75 years,
France will actually founder.

That would end any prospect of
building up a defensible and
progressive Western Europe.

For in such an organisation
France, for reasons of history,
geography and national charac-
ter, must inevitably be the key-
stone of the arch. There could
not be an arch without her.

The cause and its remedy are
not far to see. They lie in the
mode of election to the Parlia-
ment. Down to 1958, with two
bills and limited divergences,
the mode employed was Second
Ballot, and it produced (as in all
but one of the many countries
which formerly used it) multi-
plicity of parties, government by
weak, fleeting coalitions, "reluc-
tance of factions, irresponsibility,
open bribery, and secret cor-
ruption."

After the last war, Second
Ballot was abandoned. But the
parties developed under it lasted
on, and they managed to fill the
Continental Assembly to 40, 50
the new mode adopted that a
vicious circle grew.

It is possible that France could
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"The man dragged her to her
feet and forced her up the stairs
ahead of him. 'No nonsense,' he
threatened."

As she stood beside the dressing-
table, watching the thief ran-
sacking the drawers, the old lady
made a desperate decision.

Alarm raised

Summoning all her courage, she
rushed to the window and thrust
her elbows through the glass
pane. As the glass crashed she
called loudly "Help! Police!"

The thief turned quickly to-
wards her and aimed a blow with
the cash. The weapon struck the
window-frame and fell from his
hands. Mrs. Hinkley fainted.

As P. C. Robson cycled into
Blakes-avenue he saw from the
commotion outside No. 43 that
something was amiss. He found
Mrs. Hinkley lying on the bed, a
neighbour in attendance.

She was not seriously hurt.

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Ex-Nazi thrown
out of German
Parliament

Bonn, March 10.
Socialists threw Wolfgang Hedler, ex-Nazi deputy out of the Parliament building this afternoon and then kicked him.

Hedler was sitting with two Press correspondents in the lobby when some Socialist deputies surrounded him and told him to get out.

He did not do so. One deputy pulled him up by his coat collar and the group then threw him out into the street.

When he fell he was kicked. Hedler, who is 51, suffered three big cuts in the face.

Hedler had entered the Chamber almost unnoticed and sat alongside the right wing benches.

Shouts of "Get out" came from Socialist Democratic members as followed by several other right

wing deputies; he finally walked out of the Assembly.

Some members had moved to attack him but were warned by the Speaker, Dr. Erich Koehler, and returned to their seats.

Dr. Koehler suspended the Bundestag (Lower House) sitting for an hour. He declared, amid cheers, that it would have been better if Hedler had stayed away until a decision had been made on the appeal against Hedler's recent acquittal of making inflammatory nationalist and anti-Semitic speeches.

The interruption came after the Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, had told the tense, crowded House that his Government is protesting to the Allied High Commission against the new set-up in the Saar.

Friendly appeal

France had assumed 50-year exploitation rights in the territory's coal mines by new agreements with the Saar Government, he maintained.

Dr. Adenauer, appealing to France as her friend, not as her opponent, said that the agreements created a situation that practically could not be changed by a future peace treaty.

All parties in the House applauded when he declared, "In no circumstances may the Saar question disturb the relations between France and Germany and build the construction of a united Western Europe."

In contrast, only the right wing supported him when he reiterated his offer of a union with France made first in a Press interview this week.

"It is an audacious offer," he declared, "but only rapid and audacious offers can save Europe today."

The debate ended without any formal motion or decision after all Party leaders had spoken.—Reuter.

MASSACRE IN
EAST BENGAL

New Delhi, March 10.
About 750 Hindu men and women were killed and 11 unknown number were injured in the Barisal district of East Bengal as a result of mass attacks by Moslems between February 13 and 18, according to a detailed report made available from official quarters here today.

The report said that communal killings and a wave of looting, arson and murder followed a false rumour that the Premier of Bengal (before partition of the Indian continent and his son had been killed in Calcutta.

Although this rumour was denied by a Barisal district magistrate, it was stated that Moslem mobs repeatedly attacked Hindu refugees, camps, sheltering about 10,000 displaced persons.—Reuter.

Vietminh
general
mobilisation

Hanoi, March 10.
Radio Vietnam announced today that Communist Ho Chi-minh's "Democratic Republic of Vietnam" has signed a decree ordering general mobilisation in the parts of Vietnam which it controls.

All citizens aged between 18 and 45 may be called for military service.—Associated Press.

AURIOL
INVITED
TO U.S.

Washington, March 10.
President Truman has invited President Vincent Auriol of France to visit the United States, the State Department announced today.

A State Department spokesman, Mr. Roger Tubby, told Reuter that the invitation was sent by the White House some time ago.

He added that no definite arrangements had been made. "We had been hoping for some time that President Auriol could come here," Mr. Tubby added.

There was no immediate comment from the White House.

Mr. Auriol tonight arrived back in Paris from his triumphant three-day State visit to London. He was accompanied by Madame Auriol, Mr. Robert Schuman, the French Foreign Minister, and high officials of the President's Office.

He reached the bellegard Gare du Nord at 5.00 p.m., receiving a rousing welcome from thousands of Parisians who turned up under cold grey skies to greet him.

President Auriol radiated this message to King George today as he crossed the Channel on his way back to France.

"On leaving English soil, from which I carry unforgettable memories of the moving days we have just spent together, will Your Majesty and Her Majesty the Queen please accept our warm thanks for the great attention lavished upon Madame Vincent Auriol and myself."

"I know how alive and strong is the friendship of the British people for the French."

"The fervent expression of this friendship accorded us will move the heart of my fellow-countrymen deeply, and will be for our two Governments the most precious encouragement in their work for the establishment of peace and human happiness."—Reuter.

LIE DEFENDS PLAN TO
ADMIT PEKING TO UN

Lake Success, March 10

The United Nations Secretary-General, Mr. Trygve Lie, said heatedly today that his plan to admit Communist China into the UN is a surrender to common sense rather than a surrender to Russian demands. His face flushed at times as he answered questions at a special news conference he called as the result of editorial and other criticism of his proposal.

He flared up at the end when a reporter read from a New York editorial saying that if Mr. Lie feels a surrender to the Soviet Union is required to save the UN, Mr. Lie should say so.

Mr. Lie was asked whether his plan to accept Red China in the Chinese Nationalist seats here is a surrender to the Russians.

He shot back: "Not at all. It represents a surrender to international law and common sense."

Mr. Lie first read a six-point statement to the reporters a few hours after Russia walked out of another big five meeting here, the Programme Committee of the Economic and Social Council.

It was the fifteenth walk-out strike by the Soviet Union against UN organisation since the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr. Jakob A. Malik, left the Security Council for the first time on January 10 over the China conflict.

The Russian delegate left the Programme Committee when it refused to expel the Nationalist Chinese representative.

Sequel to memo

Mr. Lie's statement grew out of a memorandum he quickly circulated in February among the Security Council delegates. It leaked out earlier this week in Washington and was then circulated here today as an official document of the Security Council.

In that document, Mr. Lie suggested that representation in the UN does not depend on diplomatic recognition by UN members of each other and that the representative in the UN should be the government which has the effective authority in a territory.

Red China controls the mainland and claims to rule all but a few of the 480,000 Chinese. Under Mr. Lie's reasoning, Red China would be regarded here as the legitimate government to be seated in the UN and the Nationalists would be kicked out.

Mao Tse-tung's regime in Peking has nominated delegates but none has entered the United States to take the seats now held by Dr. T. T. Tsiang's Nationalists.

Lie's statement

Here is the text of Mr. Lie's statement:

"I wish to make perfectly clear my position as Secretary-General of the United Nations on the problems arising from the question of what government should represent China in the United Nations."

"First, I regard it as my duty as Secretary-General to assist in seeking a solution of those problems so that the United Nations can function effectively."

"Second, for this purpose I have engaged in many conversations with delegations of the UN."

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BERLIN
BOUNDARY
CLASH

Berlin, March 10

Socialist and Communist youths exchanged volleys of bricks and one shot was fired this evening in a clash between demonstrators on the border of the Soviet and American sectors. No injuries were reported.

The clash occurred just inside the American sector, where Socialist Democratic loudspeakers were trying to shout down the British and American forces.

Information chiefs, who were addressing some 2,000 Berliners at a mass meeting 200 yards away, said the Soviet side of the boundary.

Fist fights broke out round loudspeakers and a West Berlin policeman, who had been knocked down in a confused scuffle, flung the shot into the air.

When members of the Communist-dominated Free German Youth rushed to the scene, Socialist youths greeted them with a shower of bricks from bomb-damaged buildings just inside the American side of the line.

The Communist youths replied with bricks from bomb-damaged buildings until blue-shirted officers of the Free German Youth organisation ordered them to stop.

East and West German police operated to clear the street which was littered with hundreds of bricks, and the rest of the evening passed off peacefully.—Reuter.

ANGLO-FRENCH
NAVAL GAMES

Toulon Harbour, March 10.
British Mediterranean Fleet units will sail from here tomorrow with French warships.

North Africa, to carry out practice bombardment near Oran.

"Exercise Symphonie" yesterday with the French fleet off French coast, Mediterranean Fleet units, led by the cruiser Livy, followed the flagships of Vice-Admiral Mountbatten, entered Toulon harbour. The sixth destroyer flotilla of the British Home Fleet, already in the harbour.—Reuter.

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Fabian of the Yard—No. 17:

THE CROOK WITH £60,000 TO GIVE AWAY

By Superintendent Robert Fabian

Skilled in the art of smiling deceit, the confidence trickster slaps his victim's shoulder, buys champagne suppers, lends his Rolls-Royce.

Sometimes a C.I.D. officer has to chafe the victim's wrists and pour cold water down his collar before convincing him that he has just been robbed by "con men."

I remember one case—it was just a simple example of the confidence trick that was worked at least 200 times in London while I was at Scotland Yard. It began something like this:

Two first-class passengers, just arrived in England, are talking in the Customs shed at Southampton. One, a dapper Colonial of early middle-age with good-humoured face, cantered the rich 'clgar in his mouth. "I guess you've not done much travelling, brother?"

The other traveller, tall and bronzed, snorted impatiently. "I'd say not. And if this," he indicated his heap of sadly disarranged luggage—"is the normal performance, I shan't be doing much more!" He tapped a cigarette on a gold case.

"Now how the heck does one get to Bayswater from here?"

Story in the wallet

The plump Colonial grinned broadly. "I'm going to a Day-water hotel." He gave his name. "That's exactly where I've booked a room," said the tall man. "Shall we share a taxi?"

Each clutching his brief-case, they introduced themselves. The plump Colonial was "Jim Freitas"—I own the two biggest general goods stores in British Honduras."

"My name's Jonathan Benton," the other man was persuaded to tell. "We'd better split the fare for his taxi."

Over a drink in the hotel bar, Benton was persuaded to tell more of himself. He had been an engineering student in Sydney. "I hated engineering, and after my old man died I sort of drifted into farming. . . . Then my aunt left me quite an inheritance."

He hesitated. "Well, it was about £40,000. I figured I'd like to visit London."

They dined together. In a week they were good friends. Then one day, as they were sitting in Hyde Park, Freitas suddenly said: "Hey—look—there's a wallet behind your foot!" Benton picked it up. They opened it. Inside were £30 in new banknotes, and a wad of highly confidential correspondence on solicitor's notepaper.

"It's about some lawsuit—O'Connor v. O'Connor for an inheritance of £300,000," said Freitas. "What should we do? Hand it to the police?"

Benton pondered. "Any clue to the owner?"

"The purely is—these letters are addressed to Michael O'Connor at a Park-lane hotel: that's just across the way."

"At the hotel they met Mr. O'Connor. He was a kindly, elderly Irishman with an untidy soft silk collar and loosely knotted, expensive tie. He took the wallet gratefully."

"These documents are most important to me," he extracted the £30 from the wallet. "Here, now—I insist ye take this!"

Benton and Freitas exchanged dignified smiles, declined. Mr. O'Connor became crestfallen.

Champagne—and some doubts

"There now, gentlemen, don't be offended. I'll tell ye what—come and have a drink, no better still come and have dinner with me to-morrow." He chuckled. "I shall be a lonely man with something important to celebrate to-morrow."

The three men met for cocktails before dinner next day. "I must get a newspaper!" said O'Connor, who seemed excited.

He thrust a penny upon a news-vendor at the street corner, snatched the evening paper: "Here, look at this!"

He showed them a report that an Irishman named O'Connor had inherited £300,000—of which £60,000 was to be distributed to the poor by men of independent means who would receive 10 per cent.

Jubilantly, he handed two pennies to Freitas. "Ask him for two more copies. I want one to send home and ye might wish to

keep one y'self as a souvenir. I'm the O'Connor in that story!" Then, to the best restaurant in London. They had champagne, oysters, liqueurs, cigars. After the meal, hazy with good wine, O'Connor grew maudlin.

"Gee, a terrible responsibility, gentlemen! To give away £60,000—and where would a man like me find people to help in such a task?"

Freitas said: "We'll be glad to. . . . Then he fell silent. Benton had kicked his ankle under the table.

"That night, over a brandy-and-soda in their own hotel, Benton disclosed what had been troubling him.

"It seemed a bit fishy—you don't suppose he could be one of those confidence tricksters?" Freitas chorled. "Oh, I know all about con men! What a suspicious fellow you are Johnny, it could be, of course. . . . but it's hardly likely. I mean, he didn't know who would find his wallet, did he? And there's the story in the evening papers—look!"

He produced the copy from his pocket.

Next day they agreed to call upon O'Connor and see if he would invite them to help him distribute the charity fund. After some talk and hesitation, O'Connor did so. "Ye brought my wallet back—and that was the act of honest men," he said, "but we'd best have a talk with my lawyer this afternoon."

Took £2,000 as proof

That seemed reasonable, O'Connor added diffidently: "An' ye'd do well to bring solid proof of your financial position, gentlemen."

They had a good-humoured laugh over this. But when O'Connor had gone, first arranging to meet them after lunch, Benton and Freitas sat for a while silently.

"I suppose—traveller—cheques and letters of credit to £2,000 will be all right?" said Benton hesitantly.

"Why—I should think so," said Freitas heartily. "I can show letters of credit for £5,000."

"That's fine for ye," said Benton a little sulkily. "I came on holiday—not as a buyer to the Fair. Two thousand pounds seemed ample for a few weeks holiday."

Freitas soothed him. "Sure, it'll be enough."

Benton, relieved, took a sip of whisky. "I mean any bank would change them into cash across the counter, wouldn't it?"

"Sure it would," nodded Freitas. His tubby face beamed. He rolled his cigar in his mouth and grinned delightedly when Benton said: "Darned if I don't do that! 'I'll show him £2,000 in banknotes! Nobody can argue about that!"

So, to meet Mr. O'Connor after lunch, each man bore £2,000 in banknotes in his briefcase. The old Irishman was late. When he came in, he was livid. "Sure, an' I've just had a blazing argument with me bank manager!" he shouted. "He won't let me touch me inheritance except through me solicitor's clients account! Did ye ever hear such an outrage?"

Case stuffed with notes

He sat down with a bump. "So I've learnt him a lesson. I've penny I had in me cheque-book account, I've just drawn from under his nose! His voice dropped to a whisper.

"In this little brown attache-case is £5,000—and me that used to trudge three-miles to save tram fare!" He opened the lid of the case. It was filled with crisp new banknotes.

Then, suddenly, O'Connor's face saddened. "Ah, here's me self, an old man, alone in London with all this money on me—sure an' I might be murdered!" His simple

blue eyes fixed upon his two companions apprehensively. "With two men I hardly know to himself."

Benton, offended, barked: "I scarcely think you have any cause to worry, sir, much less insult us! Mr. Freitas and I could put £4,000 on this table right now—and we aren't insulting our table companions! See—show him Jim!" They displayed the contents of their briefcases.

Mr. O'Connor was shamefaced, apologetic.

"Arrah, ye must forgive a foolish old man! I've had so much worry over this lawsuit I sometimes think I'm going mad. He wiped his forehead, blew his nose, then said. "Now if one of you will phone my solicitor—and tell him we'll be along right away!"

Challenge—and they wavered

Benton and Freitas hesitated, neither being anxious to leave his briefcase behind while he went to the phone, nor yet wanting to risk insulting his companions by taking it with him.

O'Connor glanced at each man. "That's the way it is—I'll go myself!" He thrust his attache-case into the started hands of Mr. Benton. "Look after this!"

He was gone a full 10 minutes, and came back jauntily.

"The solicitor'll be ready for us at four o'clock," he said. Then he grinned. "An' I won't even count the cash in me attache-case—for sure and aren't I trusting the pair of ye with £60,000 to distribute, an' what's £5,000 in the face of that!"

Mr. O'Connor sighed. "It's more than most men would do, to trust fellow humans so!" he said.

This remark seemed to electrify Mr. Benton. "Horse!" he said, and unstrapped his gold watch. He laid it on the table. "And here!" He unclipped his neat ruby-and-gold cuff-links. "And here!" He kicked his briefcase towards the startled Mr. O'Connor.

"Take 'em away. Go take a walk round the block with them. And my friend will do the same, won't you, Jim?"

Mr. Freitas hesitated, half-smiling. "Well—I don't know."

Walked off with the money

"Before you start trusting us with £20,000, we will at least show you that we can trust you with £4,000!" growled Benton with a menacing glance at Freitas. Then, suddenly, they all burst out laughing.

"What fools we are!" said O'Connor, shaking with mirth. "I don't suppose there are three men in London with so much cash and so little sense!"

He picked up the gold watch, the cuff-links, and stuffed them, still chuckling, into his pocket.

"Arguing like babies about who trusts whom!" he laughed into their eyes. "Arrah—an' I'll take your money for a walk, just to make ye sweat!" He picked up the two briefcases, his shoulders shaking merrily.

But as soon as O'Connor had gone, Benton spotted the attache-case. "Look—the old fool has left his money with us!"

Freitas grinned. "He's not fit to be out without a nurse."

But the smile suddenly disappeared from Benton's lean sun-tanned face. "By heck, you're right! Suppose some scoundrel's been listening to our noisy talk in this corner, and snatches those briefcases?"

He jumped to his feet. "I'll go keep an eye on him!" He pushed the attache-case towards Freitas. "Here, hang on to that £5,000—don't part with it to a living soul until I get back!" He rushed after Mr. O'Connor.

For the next 20 minutes Mr. Freitas did not worry. Then he began to fidget. After a few minutes he furtively tried to open the attache-case. It was locked.

This in some strange way comforted him.

The 'hot seat' trick

He sat another 10 minutes. Then walked restlessly to the door and back to his seat.

After 40 minutes Mr. Freitas suddenly found his hands trembling. He wrenched at the edge of the attache-case, tore it open. . . . bundles of white notepaper, each bundle topped by a solitary £5 note!

And that, as I told him when he was ushered dry-lipped and shivering like a man with fever, into my office at Scotland Yard was a comparatively crude sample of the confidence trick.

"Known as the 'Hot Seat,'" I said. "Now quickly—where was this meeting place?" We hurried there in a Flying Squad car.

"Where were the dirty glasses from that table?" I indicated where O'Connor, Benton and Freitas had been seated.

"Being washed up," said the manager. There were 28 dirty glasses waiting to be washed. I picked each glass up with two open fingers inside it, and took them to the Yard's Fingerprint Bureau.

Chief Inspector Sydney Birch examined them, dusted his grey powder carefully over each glass, compared every print found with the Criminal Record Office files on "con men."

The fourth glass showed the "dabs" of Australian Jack—the 15th glass had been touched by Shamus the Parson. Both were convicted confidence tricksters.

We showed their photographs to Mr. Freitas, Benton and O'Connor! "He could hardly believe it! "But this story in the newspaper?" he said.

Secret of the 'News' report

"That's easy. Some tascally jobbing printer sets up the type, O'Connor prints it in the blank stop press of the early editions of several evening newspapers, by using a hand-roller and a small tube of printer's ink, in his hotel bedroom! Then he hands it to the news-vendor with a £1 and explains it's 'for a joke!'"

Mr. James Freitas, shrewd British Honduras businessman, looked utterly bewildered, and sat with head in hands while we turned up the files on the two con men, their actual haunts, friends, the garage where Australian Jack was known to keep a Daimler car.

Also, we checked seaports and air terminals.

They were arrested that same evening in an hotel bar off Baker-street. In their pockets, with Freitas's £2,000 were two airline tickets to Paris.

After each man had received six months, Mr. Freitas insisted upon shaking hands with them, and gave each £10—"to have a drink when you come out!"

Benton thanked him, unabashed. "But—tell me," said Freitas, "how did you come to choose the same hotel as me?"

Australian Jack shrugged his broad shoulders. "It was on your luggage labels, sucker!" he said.

NEXT WEEK: How the "House Spider," who tricked homeless folk, was trapped by his own boasting.



"Would you look in my left-hand overcoat pocket and hand me out a rabbit and a couple of green snakes?"

Want to buy an island?

By Donald McCormick

Have you ever thought you'd like to live on an island of your own? Of course you have.

A few weeks ago, the Governor of the Leeward Islands, Lord Baldwin, bought a 25-acre out-post in the Virgin Islands for £100. Its name: Dead Man's Chest. It is supposed to have inspired Stevenson's "Treasure Island."

Lord Baldwin did not buy the island for himself. He wanted to prevent this coast—inhabited wilderness from falling into the hands of a foreign buyer, and immediately presented it to the Virgin Islands authorities.

A new life

Racehorse owner Mr. Stanhope Joel has announced that he is leaving Britain to make a new life in the eighteenth island of Perots, within swimming distance of Bermuda.

But for the not-so-rich, I was told at Australia House, London, that tiny islands in the Great Barrier Reef, off the coast of Queensland, can be let on long leases for a few pounds a year.

How do you set about leasing an island? Here is the answer given to me by an Australian Government official—

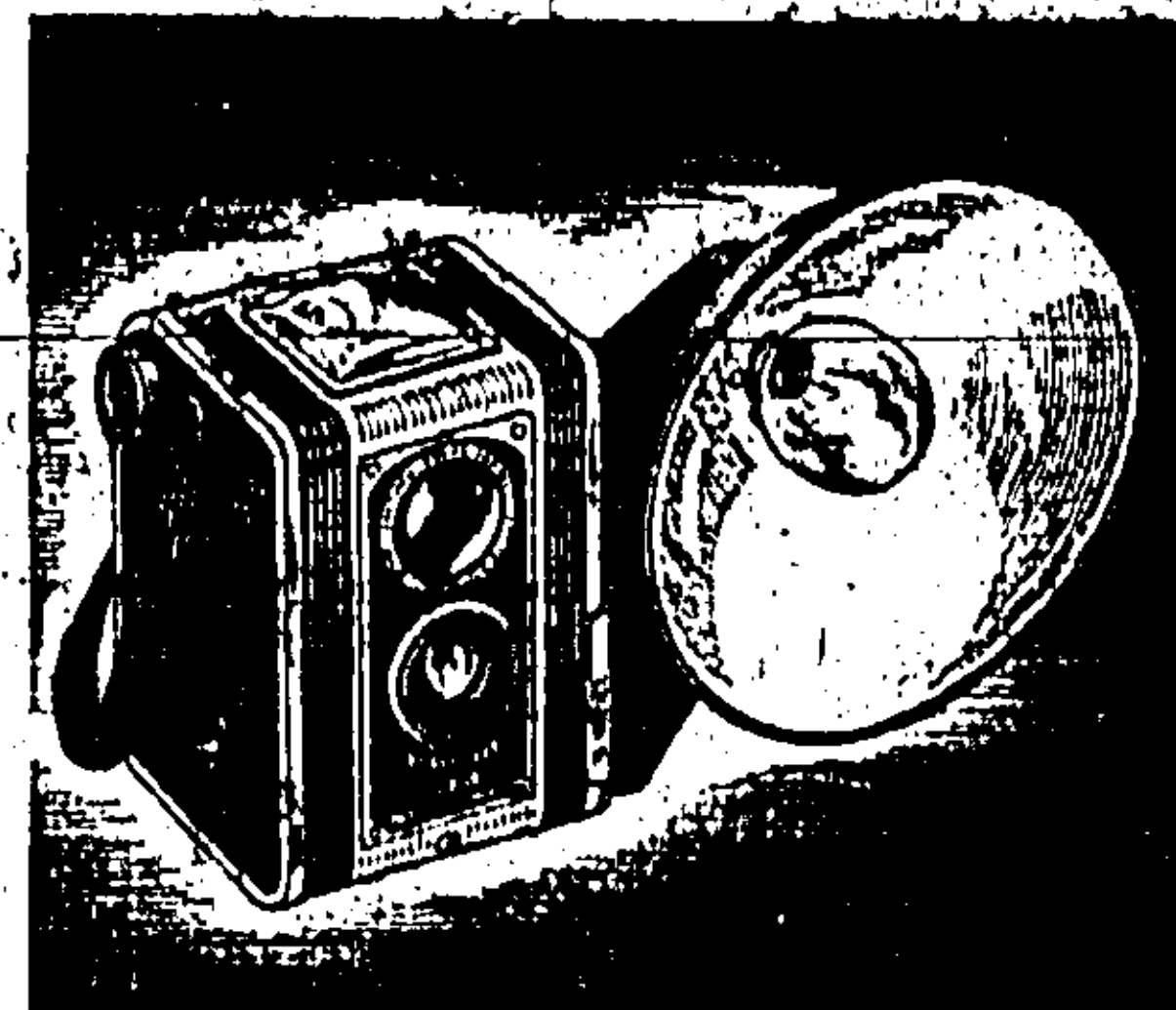
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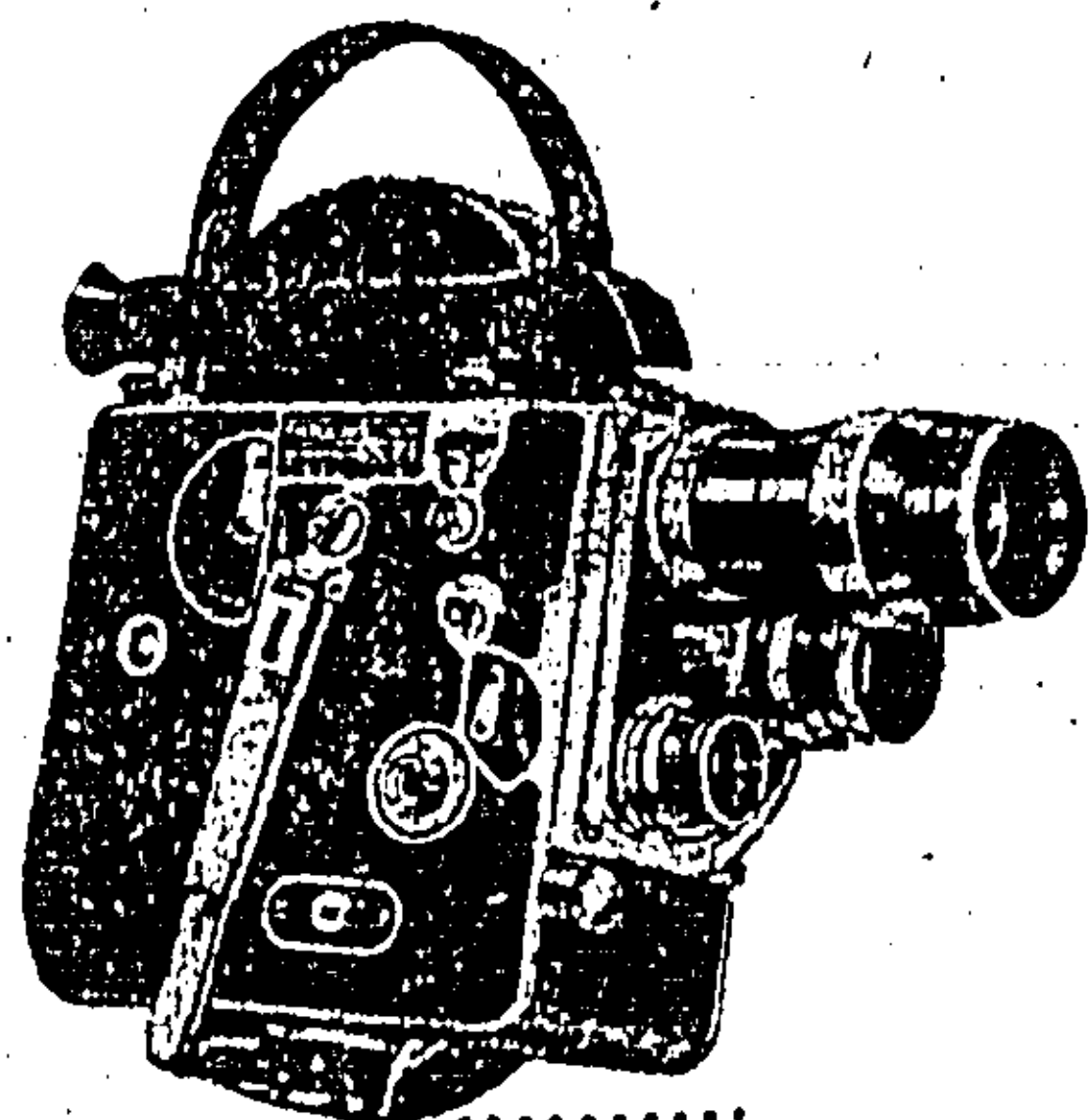
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AUSTRALIAN LETTER

Well, it seems the migration of British industry to these sunny shores is likely to be accelerated... and one way and another it looks as if we're in for another bout of local inflation.

The consequences of the British elections have far reaching significance and though the virtual stalemate cannot persist for very long it no doubt will postpone the downward adjustments in costs and prices that we are panting after.

Rising costs, largely because coal and steel are scarce, put a cloud on our bright horizon where wool prices are silhouetted in Himalayan peaks, for if only the steel output would rise faster we'd take all the other hurdles in our stride.

The United States Department of Agriculture predicts that in 1950 America will need to import substantially more clothing wools than in 1949 and this keeps our key investment indicator steady, particularly as South Africa's current wool clip will be reduced by about four per cent by one of the country's worst droughts on record.

As Australia moves further through her post-war boom the Ministry Government aims to help industry build against inevitable future recessions in trade by removing the iniquitous taxes which dissipate resources. Up to the present, overseas firms have been forced to think twice before investing their profits in Australia because of our undistributed profits tax, yet this is desirable to lessen foreign exchange difficulties as well as for developing the country. Now, however, relief is in sight because the present Government contends that nothing it does to ward off unemployment can equal the action private industry can take if only the taxation policy will enable it to do so, and the skids are already under the old machinery.

Even though unspoken, the question riding all parliamentary discussions is what Labour will do with its Senate majority. Honours went to the Liberal member for Mackellar, W. C. Wentworth, for putting his finger on one of the gravest weaknesses of the current political machinery in the finest maiden speech of a century, thus proving himself a worthy descendant of that namesake who is remembered as Father of the Constitution.

The Cabinet will act quick smart since the analysis shows the present build up could result in a stalemate, defeating the object of a double dissolution. Labour rumbles that it intends to force this impasse, possibly on the 1947 Bank Bill, and there was a particularly ringing ring to Mr Chifley's voice in his speech on the Address when he flatly announced that Labour would oppose tooth and claw, a reconstitution of the Bank Board.

Undoubtedly he is buckling on his armour because Mr R. O. Casey, Minister for Development and Customs, has promised that the banking bill will give the Leader of the Opposition the shock of his life.

Filling the spaces

For all the talk about filling our great open spaces it is extremely unlikely that 80 per cent of Australia will be settled much more densely than it is now, mainly because of the lack of rainfall which is only one, though the greatest, of a number of physical handicaps.

However, the Federal Government intends to develop the Cindarella area of the Northern Territory as fully as possible and to this end teams of experts have been sent to study the cattle, soil, grasses, transport facilities, and its timber, agricultural, mining, pearling and fishing resources. This development is not simply a matter of capital investment and hands for the plough, so the research organisation will fessick out not only what should be grown, but for what products we are most likely to find an expanding market.

Undoubtedly the cattle industry will remain the backbone of the Territory which will mean improving stock routes and opening new ones, while also an animal research institute will be established at Alice Springs to work out the problems of cattle diseases and nutrition. Attractive development leases for undertaking certain improvements are about and the big task is that the Government will probably weigh in to provide water and, possibly, credit.

Mr R. O. Casey whose new department of National Development will be the driving force behind it all has no illusions about the difficulties to be faced, but the scientific approach is a sound foundation for an expanding national future.

With all this to do bushmen say the Alice is becoming quite a hub and those who have come in to the recently set up Old Bushmen's Home talk of going walkabout in search of a little peace and quiet, though underneath it all they are well satisfied, with each new project providing endless discussion and proving great eruptions of advice.

Feeding time

Feeding time at the zoo is peaceful compared to the hub-bub raised by the increasing prices of meat. Angry housewives become frenzied working on the family meat requirements that as a matter of self preservation butchers have become the haughtiest of vendors receiving even the smallest order with a cold "You know it will cost you" before they make a move to the chopping block.

The Australian is a voracious meat eater (eaten it three times a day) and he won't be fooled with a substitute dish, probably because there has always been full and plenty at a reasonable cost and no call for the development of palatable and nourishing meatless dishes. Olive oil used in vegetable dishes to provide nourishment in lieu of meat is practically unknown in Australia: in fact the average working man would refuse a serving if there was any suggestion of oil, save only in the matter of the ubiquitous fish and chips.

The reluctance to have anything to do with oil in the preparation

of the main meal of the day is more than prejudice—it's a virtue. Stubbornness summed up by the man who says "I don't like oil and I'm glad of it because if I liked it I would eat it, and as I hate it that would be extremely disagreeable."

However, although it is bound to take a little time, the nation's appetite will have to be trained because a mere cullot costs 7½d and the pieces that the butchers once gave away, ox-hearts, liver, and kidneys, are also beyond rubles, with many factors to keep meat prices up for some time to come. While wool averages about 15s a pound no farmer is likely to sell cheaply even ancient ewes capable of cutting 8lb of such wool.

Wool values are also having their effect on the beef markets for men are getting out of beef to grow wool, and also, good prime beef is a better export proposition because most of it is grown close to the meat works that contract for export. High costs on Commonwealth agreements for the overseas sale of Australian meat which provides for prices much in excess of home consumption prices come in for a good deal of blame from price experts who claim that the only way to end meat price rises is by a system of subsidies, an export tax on overseas meat, or a pooling scheme.

This one item of the family budget has, more than any other, set housewives looking for part time jobs to supplement their food bill.

The trend is shown up particularly at theatres, and any other place that offers a few hours work in the evening, where there are waiting lists of women, mostly married, eager to secure jobs in the hours when the husband can take charge of the home. Even then the workers' incomes don't really meet living costs, and there is a long hard row ahead until the trade unions realise that big production is more important than big money.

Educational land-mark

Standing as we like to believe on the threshold of a tremendous destiny the provision of a University of Technology in Sydney, is an educational land-mark, for technical institutes are essential if we are to expand as an industrial nation. Lord Nuffield has given £25,000 sterling to help the vision take shape by endowing a research professorship in mechanical engineering.

This is the first time Lord Nuffield has endowed a research professorship outside the British Isles, just as the new University of Technology is the first of its kind in the Empire.

While welcoming the expansion thoughtful citizens maintain some reservations fearing the newcomer may be overfavoured by its governmental parent at the expense of the University of Sydney—a university in the true meaning of the word—which Governments have attempted with indifferent success to bring to heel, and which even now is scraping around for funds. The new technological centre could buttress the University if both are to play their part, but there is a feeling that this would have been more clearly recognised by those who provide the finance, if the technological centre had fallen into line with others overseas, known as "institutes", although some of them outrank many universities in prestige.

Know-how of a know-all By JOHN KIRK NELSON

We all want to be at the top of the tree, however stunted the tree may be, and I should like it to be put on record that I am the expert in creating an illusion of being one of the cognoscenti.

For those who may aspire to challenge my position I am prepared to divulge some of the techniques that are employed in creating that illusion.

It is not enough for me to pretend that I am well-read, that I understand painting, and that I can tell Bach from Beethoven blindfold—i.e., without consulting the programme.

Lesser men would be content with that, but not I: I must needs create the impression that I speak languages which in fact I do not speak, that I understand the political situation, that I am a student of foreign affairs, that I am a connoisseur of wine.

That wine trick

The wine trick is, of course, the easiest of the lot, and I have taken my technique from a film actor who was dining with his actress wife at a table next to me.

After much frowning over the wine catalogue he had ordered his wine, and it was brought to him by the waiter.

He tasted it, leant back with his eyes closed, proceeded to wave the glass delicately in front of his nose, and finally pronounced that in his opinion the grape had been grown on the wrong side of the hill.

Another little thing to remember is that whatever wine you order it should be pronounced a shade too cool, quite cool enough, or perhaps not sufficiently of the temperature of the room. (Chambre to us boys!)

When visiting art galleries different techniques must be employed according to whether the paintings are by old masters or of the modern school.

Advance, retire

Silence should be used in the case of the former, but a certain amount of physical exercise is recommended.

Thus you should advance towards the canvas—halt and stare moodily at it and then retreat again, screwing up your eyes.

When this has been repeated several times it is permitted to examine parts of the canvas a really close range (2in. from the nose is my distance) with one eye shut and the other looking through a peephole formed by the thumb and forefinger of your right hand.

At concerts I have grown out of my early bad habits of looking eagerly at the orchestra throughout a symphony or a concert and then saying "I liked that bit where the piano goes um-tiddly-um-pum."

I now sit in a sort of a trance with the best of them, staring at the ceiling, occasionally allowing my hand to conduct a passage as if subconsciously, and sometimes allowing a reminiscent smile to play on my face as if appreciating the one of Mozart's little musical jokes.

At the end I say in a rather stentorian manner to my companion "The wood-winds seemed to get into a bit of trouble with the 18th and 19th bar before the end. Didn't they?"

Literature is not so easy, but there are still ways and means and a quick reading of the critic makes it practically unnecessary to read a book.

On foreign policy, I shrug my shoulders expressively, sigh, give a meaningful look and say: "Well, I mean to say, you've only got to look at the map, haven't you?"



"Quick! On your feet, kid! They're playing the National Anthem!"

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Inside information

By Mercury

The Treasury is resisting Foreign Office pressure for a Commonwealth loan to Burma. The loan would release more frozen sterling.

A national purge, followed by state trials, is imminent in Russia. The secretary-general of the party, Malenkov, will direct it.

The Soviet Navy is to build three aircraft carriers.

Soviet submarines, transported in sections on the Trans-Siberian railway, are being assembled in Vladivostok for service in the Pacific.

Two hundred tanks are on their way to France as part of the military aid provided for in the Atlantic Pact.

Dr. Jessup, U.S. Ambassador-at-large, is to attempt mediation between India and Pakistan.

An amphibious bubble ejector cockpit will be fitted to the U.S. Navy's jet aircraft.

The "Weasel", America's snow jeep for Arctic warfare, has been sent to the army manoeuvres in Alaska.

There will be joint British and American retaliation against the squeezing-out tactics of Soviet satellite states.

General Smuts' Union party intends to attack the Malan Government for favouring German industrial development in South Africa.

Short wave amateur radio wavelengths will now be used by the RAF in emergencies. Amateurs may pick up and pass vital messages from aircraft in trouble.

A high treason charge is being prepared against Archbishop Beran of Prague, by the Czechoslovak Government. There will be a state trial.

The Foreign Office, anxious for an early political settlement with Egypt, is pressing the Treasury

to release more Egyptian frozen sterling this year.

King Farouk of Egypt would like to strike a bargain with Britain on strategic, military and oil problems, but Wafdat policy is to keep open all issues.

Britain has raised strong objections in Rome to Italian restrictions on British charter aircraft.

The Anglo-U.S. Textiles Mission has deferred its visit to Japan because of hostility from General MacArthur.

The Western Allies may have to cut down the scope of their official war histories unless the U.S. shoulders the bigger share of the cost.

A Hohenzollern prince intends to emigrate to South Africa.

The next move in India's cold war against Pakistan will be to impose restrictions on air travel between East and West Pakistan.

Sir David Kelly, British Ambassador to the Soviet Union, is at present discussing with the British Foreign Office an American plan for withdrawal of diplomatic missions from more Soviet satellite States.

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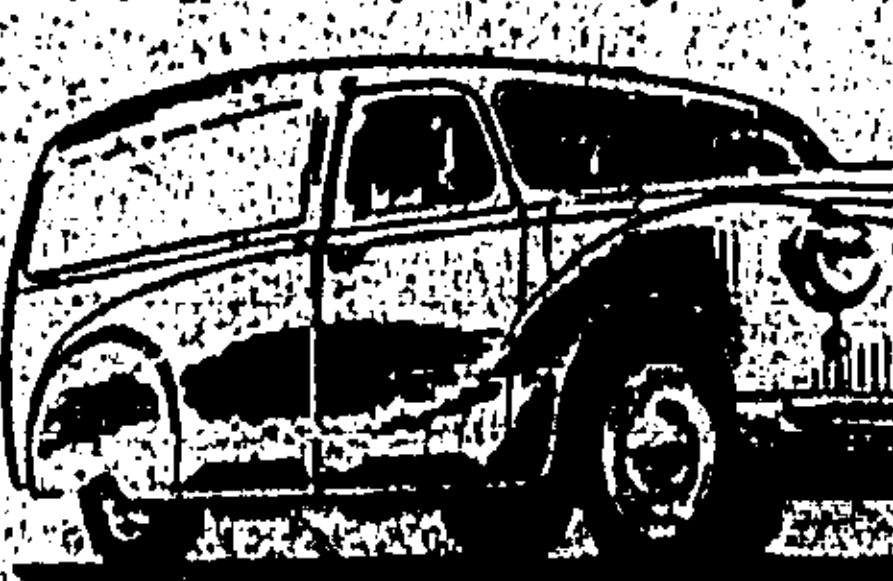
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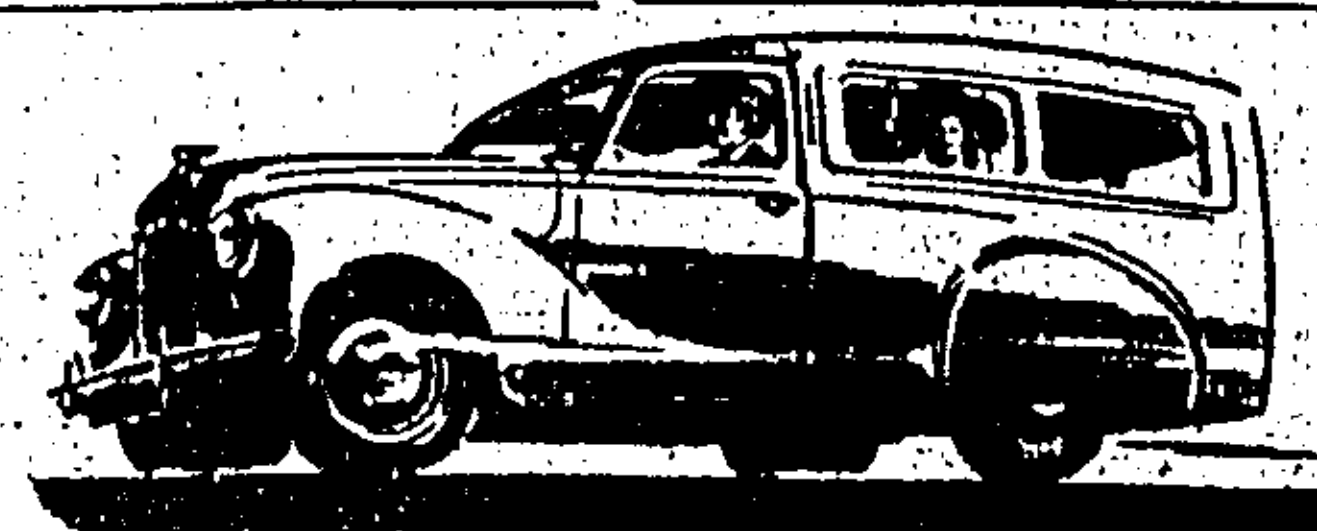
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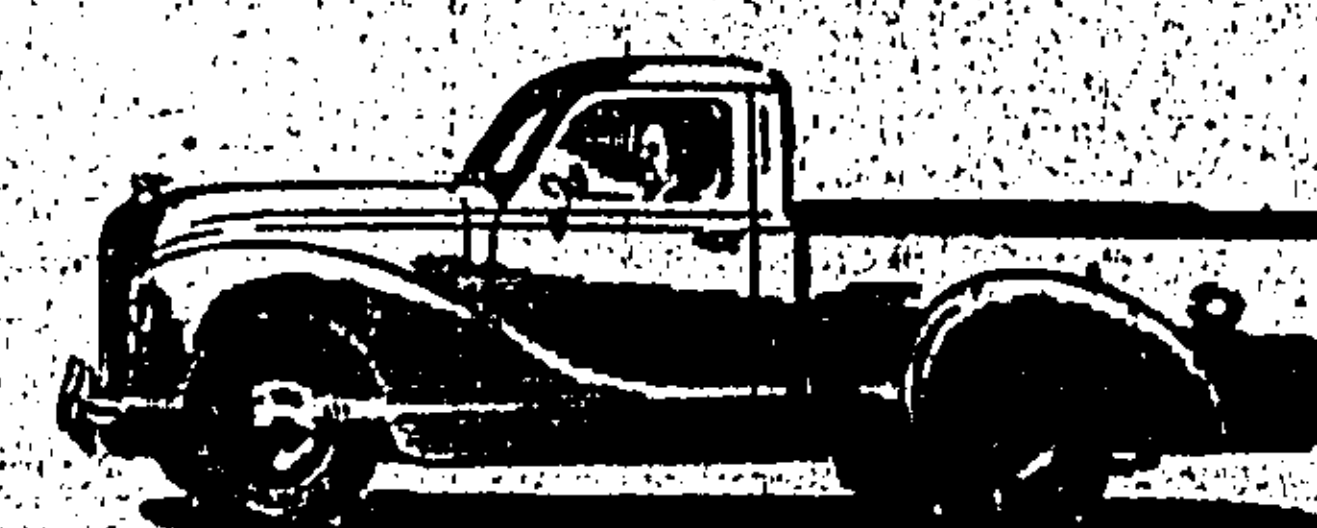
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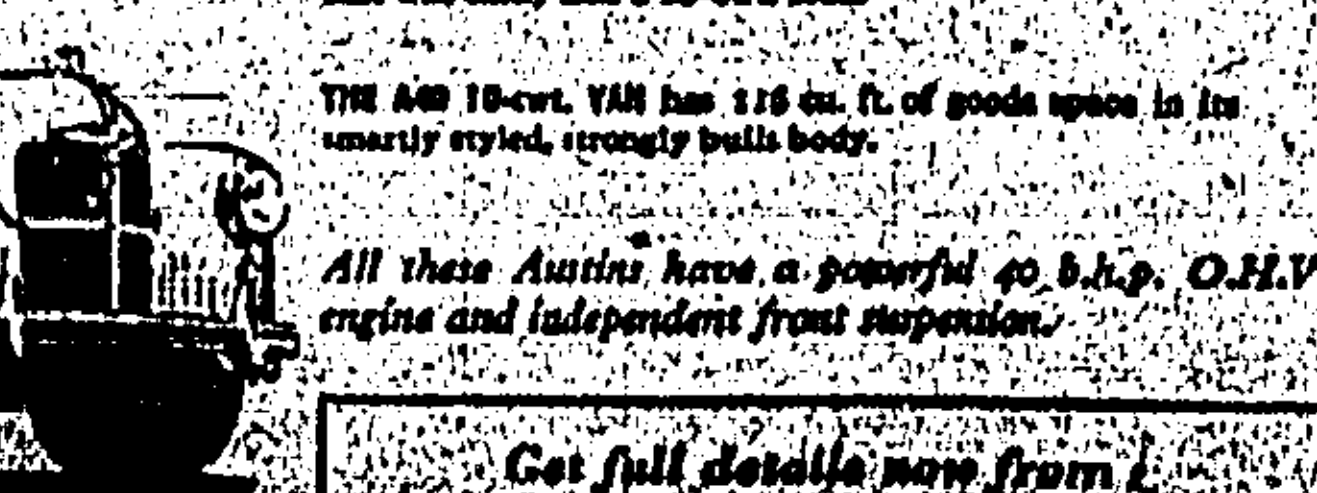
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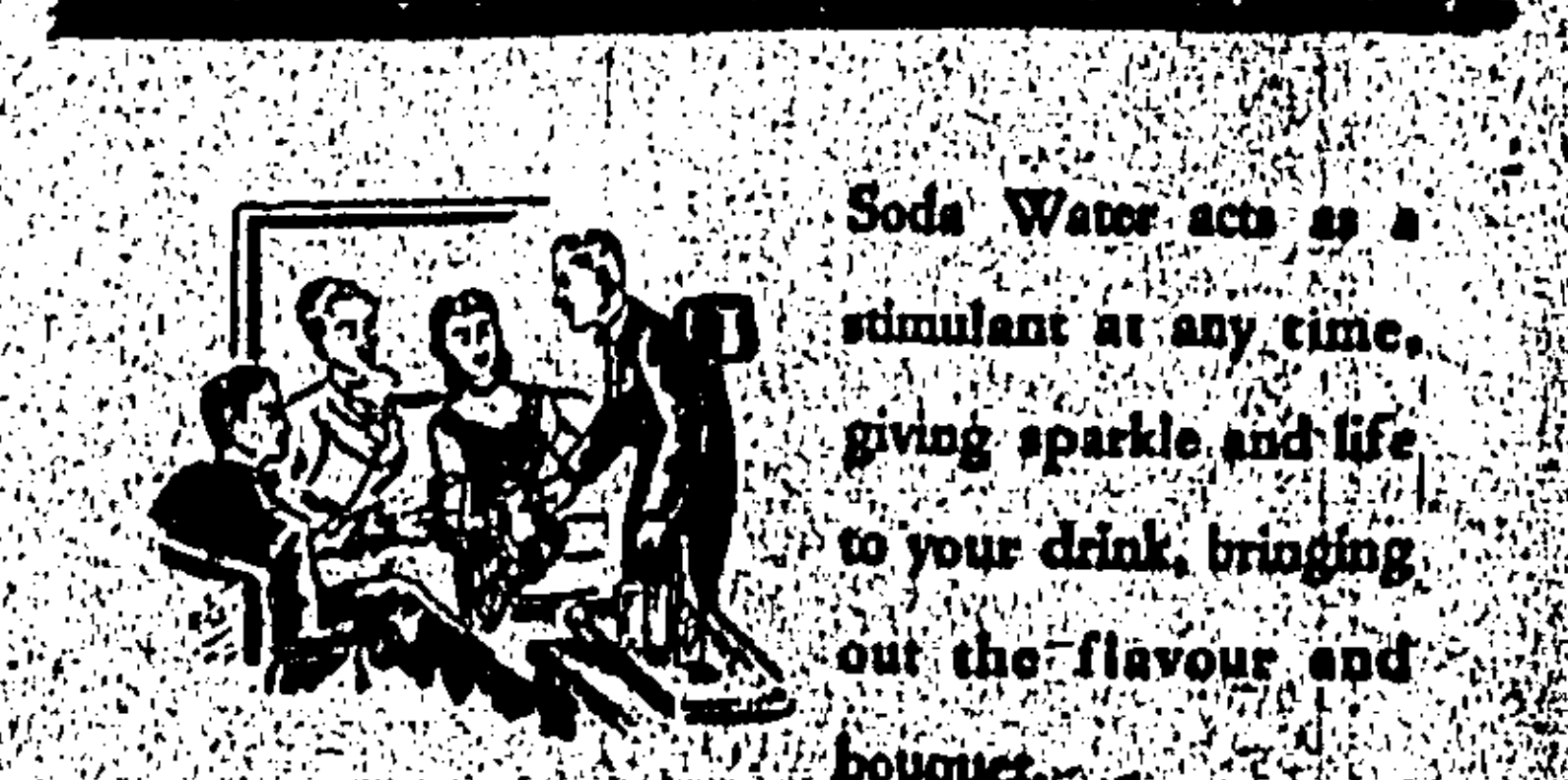


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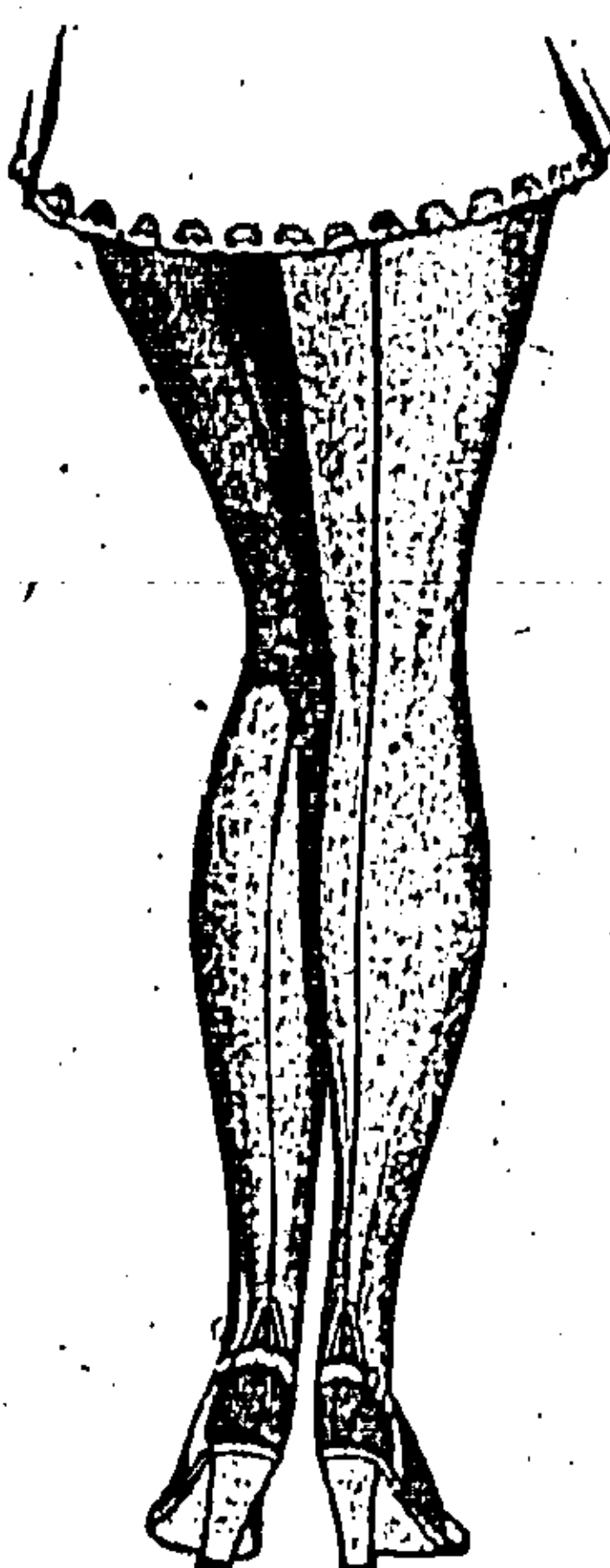
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HITLER II WILL HAVE TO WAIT

By JOHN FISHER

Is a second Hitler now waiting in the wings to take his place on the European stage? People may well ask themselves this as they read current German speeches and arguments claiming the Saar, clamouring for the return to Germany's pre-war frontiers with Poland, and threatening to boycott the Council of Europe.

Last time I was in Germany, angry workers had actually turned over a car containing a British Control Commission official and made him run for his life.

Vast changes

That was over the dismantling issue. Today they are working themselves into a frenzy because they believe that the British are interfering with their petrol rationing.

All the shouting and some of the hate is already there. Part of all this is due to the vast changes that have taken place in Germany during the past year.

Twelve months ago there was no German Government. The Western Allies decided what political parties could be formed and which were banned. In the British Zone, at any rate, they backed the German Socialist leaders, who they apparently thought, had the safest programme.

All that is changed. In the 1940 elections West Germany turned right, and the Christian Democratic Chancellor, Konrad Adenauer, was only just able to form his Government without relying on extremist right support.

In addition, the Allies have taken the ban off the formation of political parties. The only kind of control left is similar to the curbs we in Britain put on Fascist activities.

And there are practically no restrictions on the kind of newspaper you can start up.

To this extent the stage is set. At the same time many Germans who were given comparatively short sentences by German courts handling the "denazification" process are now free again ready for battle, and not on the side of moderation.

Long step yet

But a second Hitler? It is still a long step to that.

The old-Nazi movement consisted of three elements—the politicians, who climbed to power on the grievances of the German people; the generals, who wished to recover their army once more; and the German industrialists, who felt they needed new markets for their products (including arms).

Today industrialists are not interested in the idea of an army. Arms manufacture (even if it were allowed) would entail producing something which does not earn dollars and cannot be exported instead of something which has neither of these disadvantages. An army would tie up skilled labour which Germany hopes to use in her factories.

Germany needs to rebuild her production before she can think

By J.P. McEvoy

and bar stools, and the beautiful out-brown maids sit on their shoulders while they ride the Waikiki breakers or struggle into their vest pockets as they rumba in Havana.

These men are always young, beautiful, rich, popular and, as far as I am concerned, a pain in the neck. Fortunately, they exist only in print and I can always get rid of them by turning the page.

Just as the men in the ads are getting younger, slimmer and more obnoxious—the girls are more shapely, more vivacious, more delectable—and more scared. When I was in Honolulu a few months ago I looked for them on the beach at Waikiki. They weren't there.

In Havana I met the boats expecting to see clouds of them, rearing down the gangplank as they do in the ads—and who do I see? Tourists. And what are tourists? I can tell you what they are not easier than I can tell you what they are.

Tourists are not those husky, bronzed gods and those little and lissome goddesses who laugh and play on your magazine covers and live lives of enchanted, Technicolor splendour in the travel folders.

"Enchanted"

Enchanted is the word. These merry, mad folk are always spotlessly clean, beautifully tailored and gorgeously groomed, which means their baggage is never lost and their immaculate

up any sinister schemes for exports and arms. Plank number one of the Allied occupation programme is to tie German steel production down to a point where there will be no temptation to go for foreign adventures.

Danger gone

One danger—that West Germany would be cut off from her natural market in East Germany, was removed with the lifting of the Berlin blockade, and will not re-appear unless the blockade is re-imposed.

Thus the manufacturers are still thinking of reconstruction rather than rearmament. The former German military leaders are in a more delicate position. Their first concern is about the relative strengths of the Eastern and Western forces in Germany. At the moment it might seem that the Western Allies are so poorly equipped that the question of land defence in Germany is largely academic, and the role that has been sketched for the Germans—that of infantry units—is not an attractive one.

In fact, this is hardly the moment for them to go into any kind of action.

Living in past

Thirdly, there is the political aspect. In Western Germany the most discontented section is composed of the refugees, some of whom have escaped and others of whom have been pushed from Austria, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, and the parts of East Germany occupied by Poland.

They have lost their lands and estates. They would be the first to urge a revision of present frontiers and a war of revenge against the East. They would be the easiest for a dictator to mobilize.

But the refugees are isolated not only to some extent physically in camps, but mentally. Unlike the manufacturers and the army, they are living in the past.

And so, while we may expect plenty of fire-eating speeches from Germany, I do not see all these fire-eating speeches issuing from the mouth of any one man.

But it could happen, and probably would happen if we withdrew our support from the moderate leaders who now control West Germany.

laundry is always delivered before they leave town. As for tourists—who ever saw them when they weren't wrinkled, rumpled and harassed with the hunted look of a man who has mislaid his tickets, can't find his passport, doesn't remember the name of his hotel, forgotten to get his money changed and wonders why the heck he ever left home.

These are the dear hearts and gentle people who timidly venture down the fatal gangplank into a foreign land, populated entirely by shouting hotel runners, bilingual (double-talking) guides, rapacious vendors and picturesque brigands, disguised as taxi drivers, headwaiters, doormen and room clerks.

These fabulous travellers in the ads always have a suitcase on the ocean table on the bedside and a triumphant smile on their pretty pussies. But the tourists who pay for all this hollow mockery wind up, if they're lucky, with an inside room on the elevator shaft and the smallest table behind the biggest post.

Language problem

And there is the language problem. In some miraculous fashion the super-race in the travel ads always can make themselves understood and are perfectly at home in any country and in any language.

It is obvious they are the clean-cut, jut-jawed American men, and the long-legged, vitamin-packed, home-grown American beauties who flunked French in high school and gave up Spanish after their freshman year. And yet the spas and casinos of the Old World and the haciendas and playans of the New are as easy to get around in as so many Hamburger Heavens.

Tourists, on the other hand, are always buying little books called "All the French You Need to Know and More Than You'll Ever Learn," "Spanish While You Weep," "Italian with Meat Sauce"—and they go everywhere making strange noises at the natives, who, more outlandish noises back at them.

I could write a book but your heart would break. Let me give you just one small glimpse of what is waiting for an American tourist who comes to a Havana hotel and falls into the hands of a room-boy who has been told that the road to success with Americans is to speak English. He has bought a copy of a textbook which most of the hotel boys in Havana study in their spare time, when they are not practising reading your mail.

The first thing is to learn how to greet the customer. So he looks in his book called "The English Without a Master—in 20 Lessons" and finds:

"¡Hola! Jau du lu guet alon?"

"J" becomes "H"

This is pronounced exactly as it is spelled—except the "J" is pronounced "H" and the whole sentence in case you are still with me, goes:

"Hullo! How do you get along?"

Let us suppose the tourist, at this point, asks for a drink of water (a most unlikely request). The room-boy is ready for him with a typically oblique Spanish answer:

"Zai water brings zai floin and zai chin."

This comes out: "The water brings the flowing and the ebbing."

As you can see this is a handy book to have if you are a Havana bellboy, and probably just as helpful as the tourists' "You, Too, Can Learn Spanish, You Dope!" Consider such phrases as these (eliminating the phonetic):

"My mother has a fine taste, my sister has a good smell, and the servant has a hard hand." "Mary breaks her books and shuts the room." "She was rough, but now she is sweet with me." Truly, as the book says, "It is very useful to know how are called in English."



Oberammergau takes itself seriously

By Eric De Banzie

If I were asked what is possibly the least lucrative job in Germany today, I'd say that of a barber in Oberammergau, where the visitor finds he is almost surrounded by whiskers sported in varying degrees of luxuriance by the local male population preparing to take part in the Passion Play to be resented there from May till September this year.

Whiskers seem to thrive in that mountain air and require no professional attention in their cultivation.

Oberammergau is indeed a place with an atmosphere all its own, deriving from the traditions of the 300 years during which the Play has been performed.

Predominantly Catholic, it yet has a Protestant minority, and its population, though conscious they have been called to fulfil a high mission, have been cast for leading roles and they seemed to me to be already in the mood of enacting them.

This year, Christ is Anton Preisinger, a local hotelkeeper by profession, who has a beautifully sympathetic face and a soothingly respectful manner. It comes as something of an intrusive shock to learn that during the war he was a pilot in the Luftwaffe. Preisinger has given up smoking since he was ejected to the role and generally practices a life of simple austerity.

The Mary is Annette Mayr, a 20-year-old student at the local training school for woodcarvers. Mary's smile is permitted to cross her lovely countenance, she is dedicated to high seriousness.

Never smoked

Prohibited, dancing, she has never smoked—"On principle," she told me, and it was with a measure of relief that I saw she

still retained enough of ordinary human quality to tuck in with youthful gusto to a dish of ice-cream and fruit.

Greater animation is displayed by the Magdalen, 25-year-old Gabriele Gropper, who allows an occasional twinkle to enter her eye. Gabriele works as an assistant in her parents' ironmongery shop in Oberammergau.

Principals in the Passion Play receive an emolument of 2,000 marks (about \$175) for the season's performance, other players 1,000 marks. But of course the Play is indirectly remunerative over the years to the entire village.

Linked up with it is the local industry of woodcarving, which finds a ready sale for its products among visitors, particularly when these products are the work of principal players. To have sustained a leading role in the Passion Play would seem to be a passport, indeed to likely prosperity. For example, a former Christ, Alois Lang, is the proprietor of a flourishing up-to-date local hotel.

It is only fair to say, however, that commercialisation is kept in intelligent check. Repeated offers from America for film and radio rights of the Play have been consistently refused.

The people of Oberammergau are very conscious that they have to live down an anomaly of precept and practice in their personal relationship with the hundreds of thousands of visitors they expect to receive this year, the majority from the English-speaking world.

No fewer than 160 of this small community of about 3,000 souls were actual members of the Nazi Party, an exceptional proportion. Their attitude, when this fact is referred to, is deprecatory: "Why bring that up?"

Preferably they like to discuss their assertion: "This Play shall be a contribution to mutual understanding of the nations and to peace of the whole world." So may it be.

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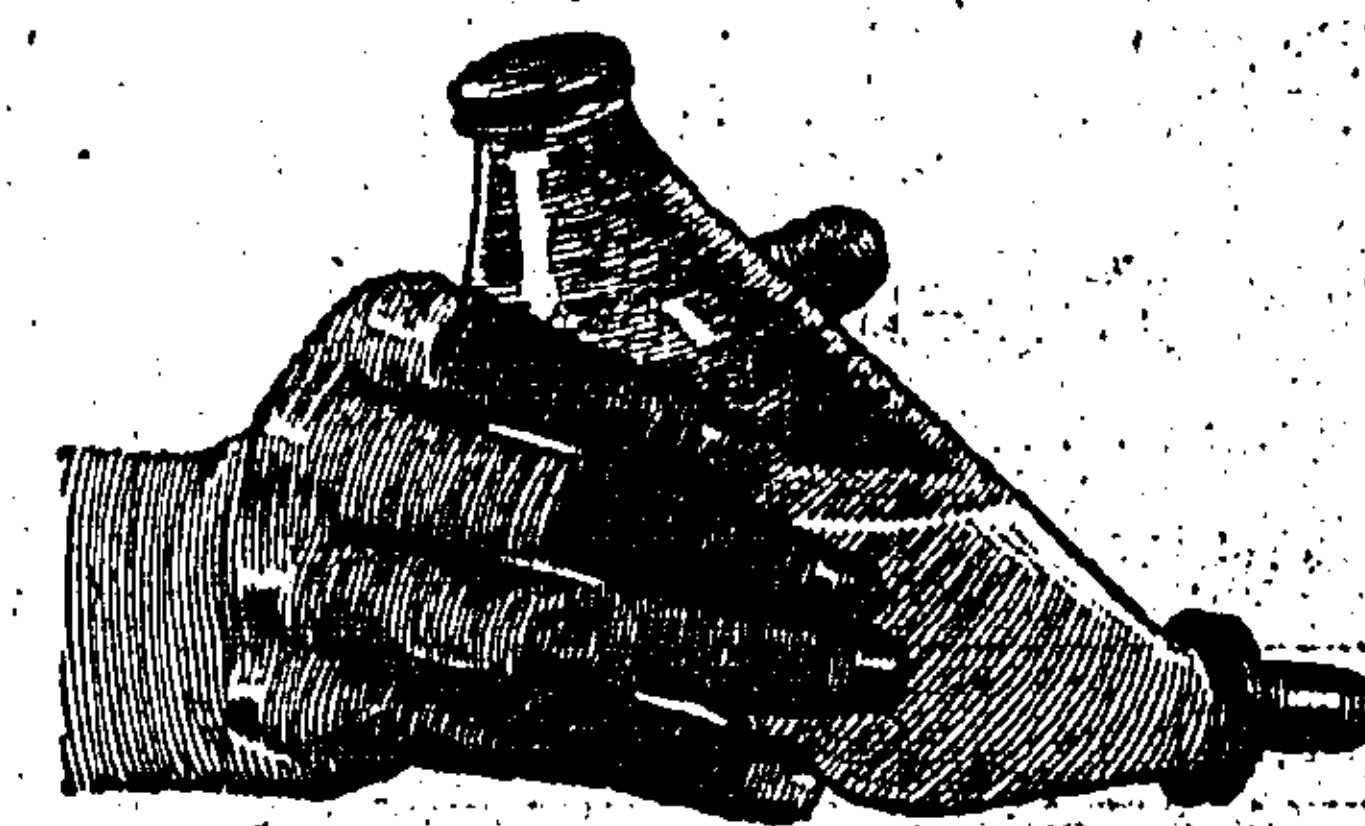
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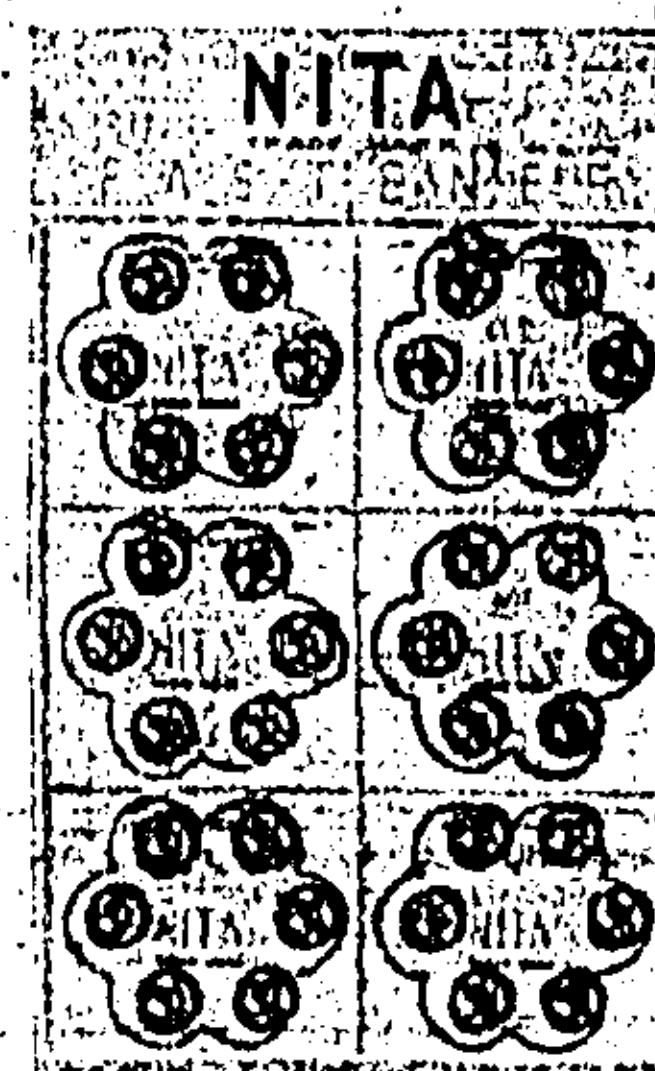
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Between Ourselves**SMART UNDERNEATH.....**

By Janet Martin

Wearing the right things underneath is a vitally
important aspect of fashion. The figure must
be gently persuaded toward the fashionable
mould before it can assume the fashionable
styles with any degree of success.Undies vary quite drastically with each change of
line and the right types must be selected to
wear with each outfit.Fashion really begins with the
fundamental question of founda-
tion garments. They should be
a "must" for every woman, no
matter how slim and perfect her
figure. And for the smooth,
straight lines of this year's styles,
they are absolutely essential.Brassiere and girdle mould the
smooth, flowing lines of the body
on which good clothes are built.
Even the lightest, most flexible
and unconfining girdle gives that
slight control without which you
cannot wear the light, narrow
skirts which are so much a
feature of this season's styles.These are the points to look for
when choosing your foundation
garments this year. . . the bra line
is more rounded, more natural,
those high, pointed cups are out.
Girdles are longer for those who
need a slimmer line from hip to
thigh. Waists are a little straight-
er, not quite so nipped in. . . and
most girdles are built up to fit
an inch or so above the natural
waistline.**Perfect fit**Make sure of a perfect fit.
Never buy a brassiere or a girdle
without trying on first to make
sure that the shape, cut and
length, as well as the size, are
right. These garments are made
in such a carefully graded range
of shapes and sizes that it is just
a waste of the manufacturer's
forethought not to take a little
time finding the ones which are
made for your particular figure.For the fuller figure, the
corset is popular again. This is
a type of foundation garment
which gives continuous control
from bust to thigh, but many
women find the built-in waist
and diaphragm too restrictive to
the natural flexibility of the
body, preferring the waist-length
bra and separate corset.Underwear has undergone a
mild revolution too. The frilly,
ruffled petticoat, so dear to our
hearts for several seasons past
cannot, alas be worn under a
slim, narrow skirt. So we keep
just one, to wear under our oc-
casional full-skirted dress, and
look for something new to wear
under tapering skirts and skirts
with slits.So the chemise comes back. . .
half way between a silk vest and
a short petticoat. . . about the
length of a cami knicker. And I
think that this will be our most
useful item as far as undies are
concerned.Some are cut with fitted,
brassiere tops, boned and strap-
less, or with adjustable shoulder
straps. . . ideal for the hot weather.
Others are just a thigh-length
slip, perfect for wear under nar-
row skirts, shorts, slacks and
sports clothes.**Short panties**Panties are short, neat and
skin-fitting—nylons are favourite,
quick drying, no ironing, and
lowly lacy patterns. The French
knicker style is rarely to be seen.Then there is a shorter under-
skirt, just about knee length,
which is recommended for wear
under tailored costumes or skirts
with a slit. I like the American
model in nylon, batiste, with
edgings and insertions of fine
nylon lace and a nylon net
flounce around the hem for pretty
looks without bulk.Another charming version of
the chemise slip features per-
manently pleated nylon net which
dries out after washing as new,
with all its dainty pleating mir-
aculously intact.**U.S. as a woman
sees it**"Organised bedlam" was the
description of the annual Jeffers-
on-Jackson dinner in Washing-
ton, according to one of the 300
special police detailed to handle
the crowds."The most remarkable dinner
I have ever attended", said Pres-
ident Truman, guest of honour
at this, the outstanding Democratic
shindig of the year.More than 100 party members
who had paid their £25 per head
like a man were forced to eat
in overflow hotels downtown in-
stead of the National Guard
Armory. However, they received
the same rations.By some abstruse mathematical
calculations, if the New York
"World Telegram and Sun" is
to be believed, 5300 people dis-
posed of 5200 two-inch thick
flet mignon steaks, with such
trimmings as pink grapefruit,
pompes rissoles, string beans,
hearts of lettuce and peas in the
form of donkeys—the emblem
of the Democratic Party.It is alleged to have been the
largest full-course dinner ever to
be served under (approximately)
one roof in America.Twelve kitchens operated under
a traffic light system. At the red
light, 550 waiters loaded their
trays. At the green signal they
moved on to the floor of the
Armory.Fifty "Belles of Democracy", all
daughters of leading Democrats,
figured at the dinner.Pink and white capellas flown
specially from California and
secured by bracelets of tinkling
bells identified them.One of the most fascinating
jobs in the world must be that
of Pamela Drake, an American
girl who is the only woman de-
signer and decorator of airline
terminals.Last year Miss Drake travelled
250,000 miles for Pan American
Always mainly in Latin America.
She was born on a farm in
Montana, which she regards as
a lucky break."A farm is the best place in
the world to form the habit of
making the most of what happens
to be around," she says.Very modestly Miss Drake
claims that that is all she does
where she descends on what may
be an old army barracks or bat-
tered shed in some small South
American town and has to con-
vert it into a streamlined terminal
and rest house.She believes in using the in-
spiration of the locality and spends
days in poking around native
markets, talking the village work-
ers into adapting their skills to
carry out her plans.In Cuba, for instance, she used
Cuban ideas for the chairs of
Pan American's new Clipper Club,
and designed bar stools to resem-
ble rhumba drums."Wherever I've been", says
this efficient, five-foot executive,
"I've left new industries at which
native craftsmen are still work-
ing. After getting a start with
me they went ahead on their
own."Opera lovers will be happy to
know that Marjorie Lawrence,
the Australian singer who was
so cruelly smitten by infantile
paralysis in 1943, is well on the
way to recovery.Doctors then thought she would
never recover and would probably
never walk again.In her recently published book
"Interrupted Melody" Miss Law-rence describes making her hus-
band, a doctor, strap her in a
half-sitting position in front of
the piano only a few months after
the disease struck her down.Although paralysis had affected
even her diaphragm and chest
muscles, "I was able," says the
singer, "to get enough air into
my lungs to satisfy myself my
voice was still there."She began to make wheelchair
appearances at concerts and later,
still in her invalid chair, had an
overwhelming reception at the
Metropolitan Opera House where,
at her debut in 1953, she had
first swept the critics off their
feet.Two years ago Miss Lawrence
sang Elektra—a role which com-
pelled her to stand on a specially
designed mobile platform with a
waist high rail.Now she can stand for a time
unaided, and hopes soon to be
able to dispense with any support
in her public appearances.The family circle is coming back
into fashion.After interviewing 400 families,
a publicity firm came to the con-
clusion that family life has been
given a shot in the arm by tele-
vision."The car took people out of
the home," they say. "Now the
television set is keeping them in."Television, which many people
regard as the most important in-
fluence in the lives of Americans
since Ford built his first "Tin
Lizzie", is having some curious
 repercussions.Although people are staying at
home more, they aren't doing the
same things.There's less sewing, knitting,
reading and card-playing, because
you can't watch "Gorgeous
George" wrestle and knit two
together at the same time.Wives are sending out more
laundry, because they can't iron
and watch.The furniture's getting pushed
around, too. Lots of people have
reorganised their living rooms so
that they can eat their meals in
front of the television screen.It isn't just the excitement of
a new toy, either.Surveys of families who have
owned sets for two years or more
prove that they stay pretty steadily
inside these habit patterns.Not so many slipped locks are
falling on the hairdresser's floor
these days.Women are beginning to harken
to their friends who look at their
shorn heads and wail. "Why did
I do it?"The 1920 look isn't for every-
body and women are beginning to
realise that they will be struck
with it for a long, long time be-
fore it grows out.For those who took the leap
and wish they hadn't, Laura de
Gis, one of New York's foremost
hair stylists, has some hints.Don't she says, stop seeing your
hairdresser while your hair is
growing. He can help enormous-
ly by keeping it tapered—it will
avoid that "chopped" look that
square ends give you.Keep your entire hairline short
until the crown of your hair has
grown to an equal length. Have
the ends of the hair curled with
a soft permanent as soon as it
is long enough.If you have really obstinate
hair, says Miss de Gis, you might
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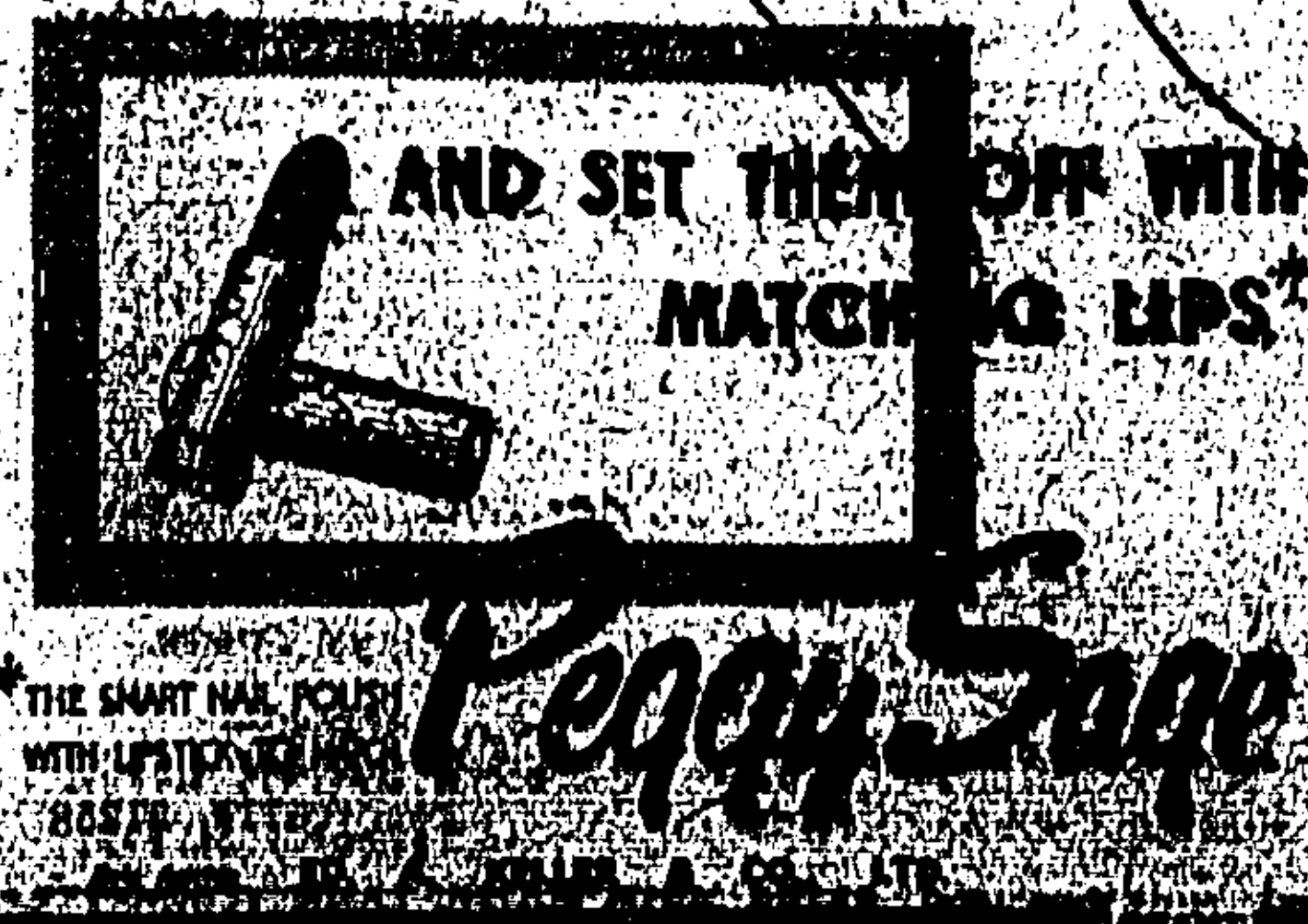
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Between Ourselves

BEAUTY AND SELF-DENIAL

By Claudia

The cult of beauty is made up of many facets. There are the fundamental sides, such as personal cleanliness and personal hygiene, the natural facets like normal interest in one's appearance and the desire to look one's best, and, over all, the personal feminine interest in the cult of beauty for its own sake.

But there are other facets too. Have you ever thought how much of the sterner, character-forming qualities go into our search for beauty, how much self-denial and self-discipline must be brought to our daily routine of beauty culture?

Many details of that routine do, of course, become so habitual as to be almost involuntary. Things like cleaning teeth morning and evening, for instance, become quite automatic, performed with scarcely a conscious thought.

It is only when there is some conflict between what we should do and don't want to do, or between what we want to do and shouldn't, that self-denial and self-discipline have to be called to the aid of beauty; and it is quite surprising when you come to think of it, how often those occasions occur.

More obvious

Self-denial is the more obvious facet. It means doing without something for beauty's sake, doing without something which you personally desire, but which you know would not be in the best interests of beauty care. And in this case, it very often means something to do with food!

Self-indulgence is one of beauty's worst enemies, and which side wins depends entirely on the relative strengths of the desire to indulge and the determination to look one's best. If you adore cream cakes and sweets, but know only too well that each one adds a little more to a figure which is already giving out its bounds—well, it all boils down to the simple question: which matters most? You know that you can't have both the figure you would like, and the things you like to eat. You can try a compromise with massage and exercise, but in the long run you know that the self-denial of dieting is the only answer, and the decision is yours alone.

Self-discipline covers a much wider area in the field of beauty care. It is the conscience which keeps you peering away at your beauty routine every day, which doesn't allow you to "scamp" things, or leave something out "just this once".

Self-discipline gets you out of bed in the mornings to do your daily dose when, personally, you would much prefer a few extra minutes between the sheets. It makes you keep up your daily hairbrush routine even when the weather gets so hot that you don't feel you have the energy.

Self-discipline again

When you come home from a late night and want nothing so much as to get your head down on the pillow, it is self-discipline that makes you clean off every scrap of the evening's glamour makeup and cream your face with night cream before you crawl into bed.

It makes you resolutely turn on the cold tap when the bath is steaming hot and inviting. If you are too tired to make you eat all those nourishing dishes and drink all those pints of milk when you really don't care for them at all. It is beauty's sternest taskmaster but it does have its rewards.

Some of us have such a strong interest in beauty care, and a sense that moral support is never needed or called for. For these it is a pleasure to do, or do without, anything, in the cause of beauty.

But for most, the qualities of self-denial and self-discipline are the greatest help. There is so often a time when we feel just can't be bothered, but beauty care is not an occasional or spasmodic affair—it is for every day, without a break.

Anna Temple

Those social duties

My husband and I go to about half a dozen dances during the season. They are social duties, I want to go. They lead to trouble because I never see my husband until the end of the dance, which he always has with me.

If I have a wallflower night I just can't help getting cross and sulky. It is awful trying to smile into space and wanting the floor to open and swallow me up. He says he sees no point in going to a dance if he has to dance with his wife. I think this is odd in a man who is the most kind and generous of husbands.

It is and it isn't. For a husband to leave his wife to an entire wallflower evening is quite discourteous—yes, and unkind. He should see that you are introduced to a friend or two for partners.

But you can't expect him to dance the whole evening with you. And it really is awfully unsporting of you to sulky when you get home and knock all the pleasure out of his evening too. It's just the meanest thing to do—husband or wife—to take it out of the other—when they get home.

I know husbands and wives who love dancing together, but they are perfect dancing partners. The dancing it is that matters, not the domestic life.

And you could be more socially successful. For wallflowered sweet-sourness is everybody's enemy. It goes all out but you are a matron and the day's conventions are easy. No one is scandalised if you stroll over to a couch and find someone to chat to. I believe you could even knit without anyone turning a hair!

I am sure you could pull yourself together and get yourself out of this one off your own bat. You will feel right on top of the world if you do. It's so humiliating to be rescued.

Why must we learn maths? What good are they to two girls who have no interest in them? If we thought they would be other. It went on for quite a

any use to us in after years we would study them harder, but no one is able to tell us. — TWO TEENAGERS.

I sympathise. It's a real bore to be a subject if you don't happen to be naturally maths.

But there is a use for them in after years. As your mind develops your interests widen. You travel on, come to new places, meet all sorts of people, hear of new things.

Your enthusiasm is aroused for some quiet new activity and it may be that your knowledge of computing, of the principles of maths, may be just the stepping-stone you need to the new understanding. Without it you have to start put, unable to go forward, made to feel helpless and baffled.

Your maths are doing something to your mind, preventing woolly thinking, giving you the technique for attacking problems. Without it you might shrink.

I would slog on if I were you. It is a subject of knowledge that comes to your aid in all sorts of unexpected, unsuspected ways later on.

I was introduced at a party to a man I very much wanted to know. He was a very nice man, but my hand was rather cold and he was too late that he wasn't offering his. I took mine back and at the same instant he brought his out, a little way and I was then, for a little while, free.

I felt silly and embarrassed. How can I feel social contrivances? ANISE

It's the split-second decision that saves the moment. Had you put your hand a little farther forward confidently, it was your partner's back, his he would have given the instantaneous answer. You were a millionth part of a second out of reckoning.

Irretrievably you remind me of the two strangers who came face to face on the pavement. He dodged to one side, so did she. He dodged to the other, so did she. — endeavouring to pass each other. It went on for quite a

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Man vs. Woman

By EDNA McKENNA

Verdict from the Paris shows—masculine clothes have made their most important-ever impression on feminine fashions. There is a disquieting swing away from anything "sloppy" in dress.

Wrap-over coats have a casual man's "short" look about them. Schoolboy short jackets, top trouser-skirt skirts, tailored shirts have double cuffs, and many waistcoats are shown.

Almost every collection carries out the white collar and cuff scheme. Attorneys' winged collars are starred for all-day wear. Black velvet and grosgrain appears in neat cravats.

Even hair is brushed back off the face and scarcely waved. Less noticeable, but extremely interesting, is the Holy Year influence shown in many of the collections.

A number of the designers have put themselves under the sign of the Holy Year believing that it will bring them prosperity. Colours, materials and rich embroideries echo Church magnificence.

Splendour

At Cavendish there is even an instrument like a church organ which plays "sweet hymnlike music during the show."

Schiaparelli is one of those who has been influenced by the Holy Year in her Brave New World collection. There is a vintage splendour about her choice of rich hue colours and materials and her magnificent embroideries.

Cardinal red cloaks, accompanied by little red skull caps are worn over white draped dresses and she has a magnificent short cloak like a priest's cope covered with gold embroidery and jewels.

But one-time rebel designer Schiaparelli appears to believe that accessories are more important than the clothes—they accompany. Judging by the rest of her collection.

She springs new dress surprises and steers away from the masculine influence of the Twenties, for she believes that "women prefer clothes suitable for the day and the hour and they want to look like women when wearing them."

But those accessory ideas make the collection worth while. She takes fur nook-leaves like double. Ewington feels to fill in the breath-takingly low décolletage on day suits and makes scarlet crinoline into a sleeveless pullover and buttons long gloves on to short-sleeved dresses. (She even conceals a purse in the wrist of one glove).

Trick hats

Forgetting the conventional handbag form, she presents her clients with bags in the shape of wicker, birdcages, shrimping baskets and leather hat-boxes. Sun hats fold like handkerchiefs and then, with a flick of the wrist, fly open to cart-wheel size. A thirsty day is provided for by buttoning a dress with a bottle of real cherry brandy.

Day coats in her collection look like brigades' cloaks and one has a full cape-back and can be buttoned to make a coat or can fall free to reveal a jacket-like front.

Suits are slim to give freedom of movement. They often have bands that wrap round like "beetle's wings".

Day dresses have whorls of draperies at the side, which form "wasps' nest" pockets, "shell" pockets and top skirts with clustered pleats.

Evening gowns have skirts two yards in circumference. In fact, they are so wide that both sides can be pulled up like wings and fasten about the shoulders like capes without affecting the hemline.

English designer Molynaux is decidedly opposed to Schiaparelli.

His clothes have the same masculine stamp. Starched collars and cuffs, crisp white giglots, neat cravats in velvet or grosgrain trim almost all his day-dresses and many of his suits.

Two yards in circumference. In fact, they are so wide that both sides can be pulled up like wings and fasten about the shoulders like capes without affecting the hemline.

When finally they got past each other they doffed his hat and said: "Well, goodbye—let's beam fun knowing you."

One touch of humour puts a delightful end to a situation quite contrary.

But he stresses feminine inconsistency by adding wide borders of net to the severest of white collars.

A star motif runs through his whole collection influencing the cut of day and evening dresses. For day these dresses fall into two categories: those which are waisted with extra-ordinarily narrow belts which placed lower than the waistline and slim dresses which wrap round the body and fasten on one side.

For evening he shows dresses with vast skirts in tulio, organza, lace and taffeta all following the star cut, often embroidered with stars.

Unconditional Surrender

The dollar has talked again—and this time it has forced the Paris fashion houses to climb down.

For two years Americans have been plugging away at a return to flapper fashions, but Parisian designers said "No"—they would never be guilty of such hideous styles on the public, they would never lower the waistline!

What has happened? America went on filling the fashion magazines with dresses and hairstyles of the Nineties, Twenties.

Business hood And as America is the biggest fashion market for the French, the result has been a complete volte-face in Paris, where genius is always combined with a good business head.

The influence which first made itself felt last season has turned into a fashion overnight—surrender has been unconditional.

What does this mean for the future? America, who already has some top-line designers and a style of its own, might become a serious threat to the Paris fashion industry. Time will tell.

Serious Thought Number Two: The new styles will be good for you but not so good for Big Fashion. These new chemise-type dresses and neat jackets are a boon to the little dressmaker and the wholesaler—because they are so easy to copy cheaply, but as a result the exclusive side of the dress trade is likely to suffer.

One at least

One Parisian who has been clever enough to fore-see this is Dior. He has made quite sure that the cut, workmanship, embroidery and materials used in a large proportion of his most elegant-even collection could never be copied at a reasonable price.

To sign off, some ideas you can copy: Use carnations, carnations and still more carnations as trimmings. Take one, two or three at a time, tuck into the waist, pin on the lapel, pull casually through a neckline, or sew on a hat brim.

Trim a dress with white plique, lending in a spurt of white bows.

Fillers

Fill in the neckline of a tailored suit with an organdie scarf caught halfway down with a black velvet bow.

Give a wool dress net sleeves, a lace day dress a floor-length stole in pastel colouring.

Make a net coat to wear over a cocktail or short evening dress.

Add a finely pleated skirt over a straight dress, a linen apron over a dark dress.

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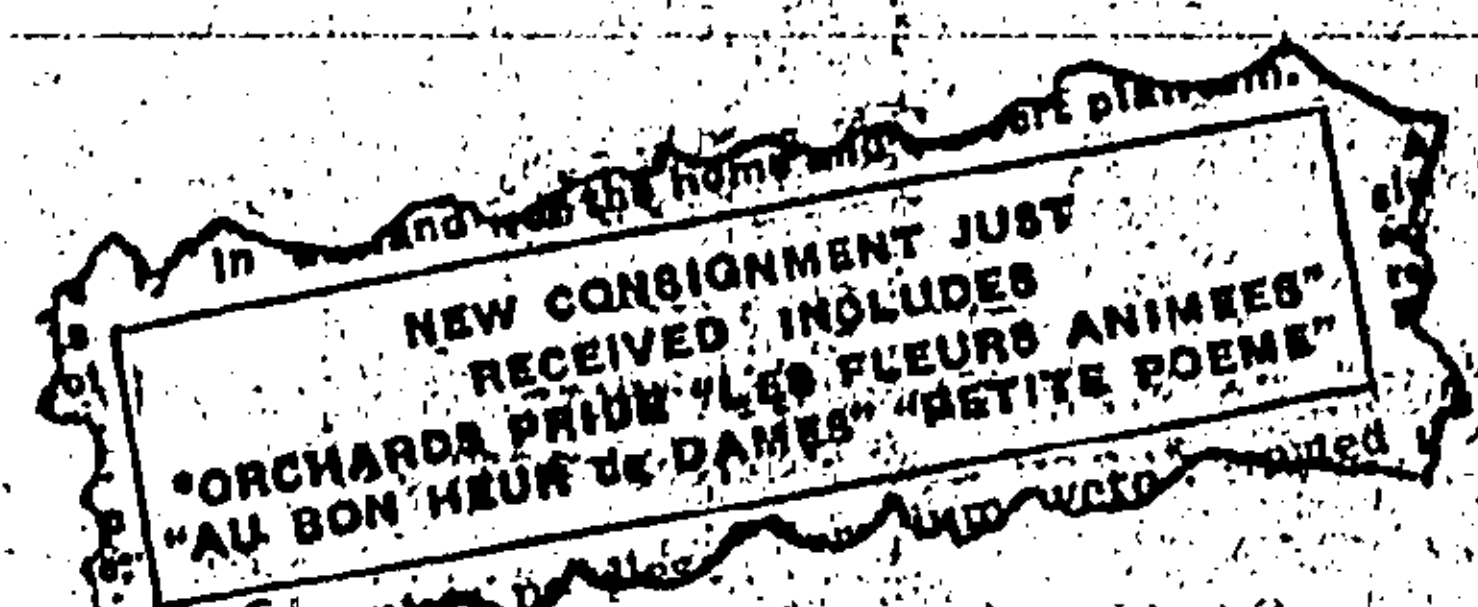
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REPORT ON WORLD POSITION OF TIN

The Hague, March 10.
World production of tin in concentrates increased from 14,200 long tons in November to 14,500 tons in December, the International Tin Study Group in The Hague announced today.

This was caused mainly by a rise in Bolivian exports to 4,210 tons (revised figure), as compared with 3,643 tons in November.

CHARTER EXTENSION URGED

Washington, March 10.
Two maritime labour groups today urged extension of the U.S. Maritime Commission's authority to charter Government-owned ships.

The Commission has asked Congress to allow its right to sell vessels to expire on June 30. It also wants rigid limitations on its authority to charter ships. It has said it feels there are enough private ships to handle the business.

Today, Mr. Harry Lundberg, speaking for the Sailors' Union of the Pacific and the Seafarers' International Union, AFL, sent a telegram to the Senate Merchant Marine Sub-committee.

Mr. Lundberg said that ending the charter powers on June 30 would have a disastrous effect on the American merchant marine. He also said it would mean a sharp increase in unemployment among American seamen.

Mr. Herbert L. Daggett of the National Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association, CIO, asked for at least a one-year extension of both the Commission's sales and chartering authority.

Captain W. S. Veeder, speaking for the Navy, said the Navy's needs do not require an extension of the Commission's charter authority, except for refrigerator ships.—Associated Press.

Money Market

US dollars opened yesterday at HK\$6.42 3/4 and closed at HK\$6.42 3/4 after an interval up to HK\$6.43. The undertone was weak.

TT was booked from HK\$6.44 to HK\$6.45.

Sterling rose five cents to HK\$15.35.

Australian pounds went up again to HK\$13.35.

Piastres were unchanged at HK\$12.50 a 100.

Tenils, too, were unchanged at HK\$28.30 a 100.

NEI Guilders were stationary at HK\$24.50 a 100.

POTASH COMPANY IN PALESTINE

New York, March 10.
Lord Glenconner, presiding as acting chairman at a meeting of the Board of Palestine Potash Limited in New York, issued a statement saying: "The Board is gratified to know that the proposal before the Committee of the Knesset (Israeli Parliament) for the nationalisation of the company's concession has been overwhelmingly defeated and that the Government of Israel is to enter into negotiations with the management."

"The company is anxious to resume operations as soon as possible and has appointed a committee for discussions with the Government."—Reuter.

SOUTH AFRICAN ESTIMATES

Capetown, March 10.
The South African Minister of Finance, Mr. Nicholas Havenga, today tabled in the House of Assembly estimates of national expenditure totalling £148,890,000 for the year ending March 31, 1951.

Total estimated expenditure for the year 1949-50, including two additional appropriations, was £148,781,600.—Reuter.

BRITISH CAR EXPORTS

London, March 10.
Britain exported record totals of 30,700 cars and 10,300 commercial vehicles in January, the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders stated today.

The car figure was 2,800 more than ever before in a month and the commercial vehicles, 1,000 over the previous best.—Reuter.

CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago, March 10.
Grain prices drifted lower and soybeans dropped more than two cents at times. Wheat closed 1-1/4 lower to one-cent higher.
March \$2.28 3/8
May \$2.17 3/4 - 7/8
July \$1.95 1/2 - 5/8
Corn 1/2 lower to 1/8 higher.
Oats 3/8 lower to 1/8 higher.
Rye 1/4 lower.
Soybeans 1-1/2 to 2-1/8 lower.—Associated Press.

LONDON STOCKS

London, March 10.
Trading on the London Stock Exchange was dull, with gilt-edged shares adjusted downward on small selling. Japanese bonds failed to stand up after an early rally. The 1950 issue fell another 1-1/2 to 90-1/2. Dollar shares were weak.
Financial Times index 104.0.—Associated Press.

New York, March 10.
Ravon shipments totalled \$3,800,000 in February, compared with \$2,200,000 in the previous month.—Associated Press.

Malaya and Indonesia were both slightly lower than in the previous month at 4,733 tons and 2,256 tons, respectively.
World tin metal production dropped sharply from 14,700 tons in November to 13,400 tons in December. Malaya was much lower at 5,480 tons and U.S. and Netherlands production also declined somewhat to 2,701 tons and 1,037 tons, respectively. United Kingdom production is estimated at 2,300 tons.
Figures of real consumption have been received from The Netherlands (the consumption in 1949 being 3,277 tons).
The United Kingdom consumption decreased to 1,608 tons in December, the use of tin in plate at 713 tons being lower than in any other month in 1949.
World tin plate production rose from 338,000 tons in November to 360,000 tons in December, due mainly to the further recovery after the steel strike of U.S. production to 200,000 tons.

London market

In London, cash tin remained at about £600 per long ton through December, January and the first half of February. Forward tin in London advanced gradually from an average of £373.5 in December to £384.0 in the first half of February.

In the same period, cash prices in New York fell from an average of US\$79.01 per pound to US\$74.44. Singapore prices declined slightly in December and January. The 1949 position as compared with the previous year may be summarised as follows (1948 figure first, 1949 second, in long tons):

World production—153,000, 161,000.
Malaya produced 44,815, 54,010.
Bolivia—37,336, 33,754.
Indonesia—20,562, 28,965.
World metal production—158,000, 168,400.
Of which: Malaya produced 46,707, 62,077.
U.S.—35,087, 30,033.
U.K.—31,002, 27,757.
Netherlands—18,502, 19,247.—Associated Press.

U.S. LOAN TO PI SUGGESTED

Manila, March 11.
The mining magnate, John Haussermann, suggested today that the Philippines apply to the United States for a loan of US\$350,000,000 to tide the nation over its present economic crisis.

President Elpidio Quirino, who talked to Mr. Haussermann at Baguio, later expressed doubt to newsmen that the U.S. Government would have such a sum available for loan to the Island Republic. The President thought such a loan would be good for the Philippines if used as capital investment to build up industries.

In reply to a question why he doubted if the U.S. is willing to make a \$350,000,000 loan to the Philippines, in view of much larger sums granted to other countries, Mr. Quirino replied that the Americans seem to be under the impression that the islands are comparatively more prosperous than the other war-ravaged countries.—Associated Press.

AUSTRALIAN COAL IMPORTS

Canberra, March 10.
Senator George McLeay, Federal Minister of Fuel, announced today that most of the 500,000 tons of coal sought by the States of Victoria and South Australia will be imported from India and Africa.—Reuter.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

S/S "FLYING CLOUD"

Consignees are hereby notified that the captioned vessel is due in this port on or about March 16, 1950.

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New Zealand lifts control on prices

Wellington, March 10.
Price controls have been removed from a list of more than 100 items, including professional fees, newspaper advertising, commercial printing charges, haberdashery, certain industrial goods and stationery.

The Minister of Industries and Commerce, Mr. Bowden, said this step was in accordance with the policy of removing price controls where altered circumstances no longer justified it.—Associated Press.

NEW ERA IN CHINA FINANCE

San Francisco, March 10.
Communist China is entering a new era of centralised and unified administration in finances and economy, Peking Radio reported tonight.

It said that all levels of local Governments under the Peking regime are implementing the resolution on centralisation of financial and economic work passed by the Government Administration Council a week ago.

The new measures will provide "means for the great military actions to liberate Taiwan, Hainan and Tibet", the Radio said, adding that the "liberation of Taiwan" is of especial importance to the economic revival of the coastal provinces of South East China.

Furthermore, the measures will provide the wherewithal to maintain 9,000,000 troops and Government cadres.

Implementation of the resolution will also ensure the supply of food to big cities and to famine areas and the revival of economic and cultural organisations according to plan, the broadcast asserted.—Reuter.

ERP FUNDS FOR BRITAIN

Washington, March 11.
Britain will receive the largest share of next year's Marshall Plan funds, according to estimates submitted to Congress today by the Economic Co-Operation Administration.

The estimates—\$2,925,000,000 requested by the Economic Co-Operation Administration for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1951—will be divided among the Marshall Plan countries. Britain's share is estimated at \$887,100,000.

Germany and France will receive the next largest shares, Germany \$852,000,000 and France \$502,180,000.—Reuter.

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Hong Kong, March 10, 1950.

New York Stock Exchange

New York, March 10.
The stock market muddled its way through one of the slowest sessions of the year. Losses outnumbered gains by a substantial margin at the close but price movements were too small to give the market much character. Corporate news helped to boost a few stocks. Transfers 1,280,000 shares.

Trading caution was even more apparent than it has been recently. Among gainers were Zenith Radio, Santa Fe, Seaboard Oil, Sinclair Oil, Texas Company and Gulf Oil.

Stumblers included Emerson Radio, and United Corporation. Benguet Mining, eleven most active stock, finished unchanged at 1-3/4.

Dow Jones averages: Stocks 73.40; 20 Industrials 202.44; 15 Rails 54.91; 10 Utilities 42.75.

Closing quotations: Adams Express 21 1/2, American Can 110 1/2, "Smoking" 51 1/2, Telephone 161 1/2, Tobacco 73, Waterworks 9 1/2.

Anusonda Copper 28 1/2, Aviation Corp. 6 1/2, Baldwin Locomotive 11 1/2, Barnsdall 50, Bendix Aviation 41 1/2, Bethlehem Steel 33 1/2, Boeing Aircraft 27 1/2, Borden Co. 50 1/2, Canadian Pacific 14 1/2, J. I. Case 42 1/2, Chrysler 64 1/2, Colgate 45 1/2, Commercial Solvent 10 1/2, Corn Products 60, Du Pont 62, Eastman Kodak 47 1/2, General Electric 45 1/2, Motors 74 1/2, Goodyear 81 1/2, Goodyear 49 1/2, Homestake Mining 45 1/2, International Harvester 27, Paper 35 1/2, "Tel. & Tel." 11 1/2, Johns Manville 46 1/2, Kennecott-Copper 51 1/2, Montgomery Ward 55 1/2, National Distillers 22 1/2, "Lend" 37 1/2, New York Central 12 1/2, Packard Motors 3 1/2, Pan American Airways 10 1/2, Pennsylvania RR 18, Radio Corp. 14 1/2, Ramblington Rand 13 1/2, Republic Steel 25 1/2, Reynolds Tobacco 38 1/2, Schenley 30, Sears Roebuck 44, Shell Oil 38 1/2, Socony Vacuum 16 1/2, Southern Pacific 51 1/2, Standard Brands 22 1/2, Oil of Calif. 62 1/2, Oil of N. J. 67 1/2, Sludobaker 27 1/2, Union Bag 27 1/2, "Carbide" 42 1/2, US Rubber 41 1/2, "Steel" 30 1/2, "Lines" 16 1/2, Westinghouse 32 1/2, Youngstown Sheet & Tube 70 1/2, Gen. Pub. Utilities 17 1/2.

Bonds were lower. Among curb gainers were Mesabi Iron, Technicolor, Creole Petroleum, Kirby Petroleum.—Associated Press.

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Hong Kong, March 10, 1950.

KCC HOLD "OPTIMISTS" TO A DRAW

N.E. Arthy scores brilliant 88 not out

The sodden state of most cricket pitches yesterday resulted in a curtailment of the First Division League programme, only two matches being played.

In a high scoring game at Chater Road, Hong Kong Cricket Club "Optimists" were held to a draw by Kowloon Cricket Club, after scoring 198 runs for six wickets declared.

A feature of this game was the brilliant knock of N. E. Arthy, who had 88 not out to his credit when the "Optimists" declared their innings closed.

At King's Park, Club de Recreio had no difficulty in accounting for the Commandos, whom they beat by 58 runs.

In the only Second Division League encounter played yesterday, Royal Air Force, who entertained the Commando 2nd XI at Kai Tak, beat their guests by 24 runs.

FIRST DIVISION

HKCC "Optimists"—KCC

The Hong Kong Cricket Club "Optimists" were held to a draw by Kowloon Cricket Club in their First Division League cricket match at Chater Road yesterday. Batting first, the "Optimists" immediately went for the runs. A feature of their innings was the brilliant knock of N. E. Arthy, who scored 88 not out, L. D. Kilbee, who opened with Arthy, knocked up a useful 26 before being caught by Sellers of Smith. B. Trevenen-Elder contributed 36 while Mr. "Extra" helped with 22 to enable the "Optimists" to declare at 198 for six in less than two hours.

Going in at 4.15 p.m. KCC were slow in gathering runs. Colledge, opening with Lerlou, knocked up 25 runs before being bowled by Smith. Zimmerman joined Lerlou, but did not stay long, being dismissed after scoring five runs. It was only after C. P. Smith joined Lerlou that the latter began to open up. After scoring 24 runs, however, he was caught by Hawthorne off Beavers.

The best bowling figures for the "Optimists" were returned by Beavers, who took four wickets for 41 runs. Smith captured two wickets for 25. Fritchard and Arthy claimed one wicket each for 10 and nine runs respectively. For KCC, Lee and Smith shared bowling honours, each taking three wickets for 58 and 53 runs respectively.

HKCC "Optimists"	
N. E. Arthy, not out	88
L. D. Kilbee, c Sellers, b Smith	26
G. Pritchard, c Zimmerman, b Smith	1
J. B. Hawthorne, b Lee	0
T. P. Mahon, b Beavers	36
R. MacPherson, c Korman, b Lee	15
A. L. Smith, not out	8
Extras	22

Total (for six wickets) dec. 198

	O	M	R	W
Leo	13	1	58	3
Kermanl	7	1	31	0
Sellers	7	1	31	0
Smith	13	1	53	3
Hart-Baker	4	0	18	0

KCC	
W. H. Colledge, b Smith	25
J. Lerlou, c Hawthorne, b Beavers	24
A. Zimmerman, c Pritchard, b Beavers	5
C. P. Smith, c Mahon, b Smith	5
J. V. Sellers, b Beavers	10
F. R. Korman, c Smith, b Beavers	13
S. V. Ollins, c Rankine, b Arthy	4
N. Hart-Baker, b Pritchard	1
W. M. Davidson, not out	10
E. C. Fletcher, not out	0
Extras	6

Total (for eight wickets) 110

R. Lee did not bat				
Bowling Analysis				
	O	M	R	W
Mahon	8	1	25	0
Pritchard	7	3	10	1
Beavers	13	1	41	4
Smith	10	3	25	2
Arthy	3	1	9	1

Commandos—Recreio

In a First Division League Cricket match played at King's Park yesterday, Club de Recreio beat Commandos by 58 runs.	
Bowling Analysis	
O	M
L. G. Gosano, c Oakley, b Graves	34
A. M. Rodrigues, c Oakley, b Ryder	39
M. A. Regedios, c and b Owen	34
P. M. N. da Silva, b Graves	3
E. L. Gosano, b Graves	9
H. L. Ozorio, not out	13
A. P. Pereira, not out	5
Extras	4

Total (for five wickets) dec. 141

A. E. Noronha, D. E. Remedios, A. V. Gosano and A. M. Araujo did not bat.

Bowling Analysis

Finals of HKU Badminton Tournament

The finals of the Hong Kong University Annual Badminton Tournament were held yesterday at the Eu Tong Sen Gymnasium and badminton of a high standard was witnessed. The best of all the finals was the Men's Senior Doubles, in which K. S. Low and S. A. Vanar, former Colony champions, beat L. H. Tan and K. K. Lok after three sets.

The losers put up a splendid fight and had a good chance of winning. They played inspired badminton in the first set to win 15-12, and were actually leading in the second set when Vanar and Low put in everything they knew to win 15-10.

Vanar and Low, however, dominated in the third set and gave a rousing display to win 15-3.

In the Men's Senior Singles H. T. Huih conceded a walkover to K. S. Low.

At the conclusion Mrs. J. E. Fald distributed the prizes to the successful contestants.

Junior Men's Singles

S. T. Hoi beat L. H. Tan 15-12, 15-9.

Junior Ladies Doubles

Miss Y. Lau and Miss J. Loo beat Miss Y. C. Kwok and Miss M. Lo 15-8, 15-6.

Junior Men's Doubles

S. F. Lam and S. K. Cheung beat L. H. Tan and K. K. Lok 8-15, 15-9.

Senior Ladies Doubles

Miss M. Leong and Miss Y. Lau beat Miss A. Huih and Miss B. Cheung 15-4, 15-0.

Junior Mixed Doubles

N. K. Chin and Miss J. Loo beat S. T. Hoi and Miss Y. C. Kwok 10-18, 15-9.

Senior Men's Doubles

K. S. Low and S. A. Vanar beat L. H. Tan and K. K. Lok 11-15, 15-10 and 15-3.

Senior Mixed Doubles

K. S. Low and Miss M. Leong beat S. T. Hoi and Miss Y. C. Kwok 22-24, 15-9 and 15-5.

Badminton fixtures

The following are next week's fixtures in the Colony Badminton Championships:

Monday, March 13	
At Victoria Recreation Club	
7.30 p.m. (Schoolboys' Singles)	Anthony Ching or Fan Chun-hung v. B. Saw.
9.00 p.m. (Junior Men's Doubles)	E. C. Y. Hui and T. Hui or A. Remedios and A. L. Nery v. N. K. Chin and K. K. Lok.
9.30 p.m. (Junior Mixed Doubles)	A. P. K. and Mrs. J. A. Soares v. A. R. Soares and Miss B. Remedios.
9.00 p.m. (Junior Men's Doubles)	S. K. Cheung and S. F. Lam v. K. C. Wong and K. Y. Tso.
9.30 p.m. (Senior Men's Doubles)	G. Lum and J. Koo v. K. S. Low and H. T. Huih.

Tuesday, March 14	
At Club de Recreio	
7.30 p.m. (Schoolboys' Singles)	K. Y. Tso v. P. Moffat.
8.00 p.m. (Junior Men's Singles)	B. Saw v. K. C. Wong.
8.30 p.m. (Junior Men's Doubles)	B. Chow and C. H. Ngan v. F. M. Rozario and B. Brown.
9.00 p.m. (Junior Men's Singles)	J. A. Soares v. C. C. Wen.
9.30 p.m. (Senior Men's Singles)	B. Fank v. M. T. Yeow or H. T. Huih.
10.00 p.m. (Junior Men's Doubles)	S. K. Cheung and S. F. Lam or K. C. Wong and K. Y. Tso v. P. Wong and J. Koo.

Wednesday, March 15	
At Kowloon Cricket Club	
7.30 p.m. (Junior Men's Doubles)	K. F. Chiu and A. Ho v. J. A. Soares and J. A. Moffat.
8.00 p.m. (Ladies' Singles)	Miss H. Kwong v. Miss Margie Xavier.

(Continued on Col. 8)

TODAY'S SPORT

CRICKET

First Division: "IRC" v University at Sookunpo, 1.45 p.m. Inter-Hong: Wayfoong v. Lodwells at Chater Road, 11 a.m. Friendlies: Chitkong v. Commandos at Happy Valley, 1.45 p.m. KCC v. Army at Cox's Road, RASC v. Dockyard at King's Park, 1.45 p.m.

GOLF

Club v Services at Fanling, 9.40 a.m.

HUNT CLUB MEET

Hong Kong Polo and Hunt Club Meet at Kham Tain Village (near Deas Slabes, Fanling) at 11.30 a.m.

SOCCER

Club v Police, 4.30 p.m. Reference: Li Bing-long, Lineament, J. H. Garrett and Cheung, Yung-sing.

RAF v Kit Chee, Sookunpo, 4.30 p.m. Reference: H. J. Chinnall, Lineament, Li Bing-piu and J. M. Manson.

Eastern v St. Joseph's, Caroline Hill, 4.30 p.m. Reference: D. P. Lai, Lineament: F. A. Barretto and A. Leck.

2nd Division

News Vendors v Prisoners Club, 3 p.m. Reference: J. G. McFarlane, Falkoo v Kit Chee, Caroline Hill, 3 p.m. Reference: K. M. Ashford, St. Joseph's v Solicitors, St. Joseph's, 4.30 p.m. Reference: A. Ribeiro.

CAA v Dockyard, Boundary Street, 4.30 p.m. Reference: E. A. Stubley.

RAF v Police, Kai Tak, 4.30 p.m. Reference: G. T. Grummitt.

Interport trial

Schoolboys' Interport Trial, Club Ground, 10 a.m.

SOFTBALL

Men's Senior League

CBA Ground, 10.30 a.m. Jaguars v St. Joseph's (Don Robb, L. Oliveira, Eddie Marques, Berale Silva), 1.30 p.m. Braves v US Navy (Herbie Quon, Tiger Hussain, Bill Woo, Eddie Ladros).

Ladies' Senior League

CBA Ground, 12 noon, Wahoon v Canadlins (Jin Hussain, Ollie Vas, Frank Correa, Blm Ablog).

Ladies' Junior League

CBA Ground, 3 p.m. Squaws v St. Teresa's (Les Castro, Bob Henderson, Bim Ablog, Hal Wingles).

Inter-Hong League

Recreio Football Ground, 10.30 a.m. Gibbs v Civil Service (Bob Henderson, Les Castro, Ed. Louhng, Samet Samy), 12 noon, San Miguel v Union Insurance (Hal Wingles, Bob Low, C. M. Xavier, Roberto Nunes).

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HOCKEY

Nomads v Hong Kong University at RNRC No. 1, King's Park, 10 a.m. Umpires: L. Tel. Mathewson and Xavier.

Recreio "B" v Chaud Tara, Recreio, King's Park, 10 a.m. Umpires: Blinco and P. Q. Bradley.

RAF v Fairs, SC, RNRC, No. 2, King's Park, 11.15 a.m. Umpires: Dillon and W. O. Smith.

Club v RAF, RNRC No. 1, King's Park, 11.15 a.m. Umpires: Palmer and Guest.

KCC v Dutch HC, RNRC, No. 2, King's Park, 10 a.m. Umpires: Sgt. Major Hannan and QMSI McColland.

Oxford boat crew has first full course trial

London, March 10.

The Oxford University boat race crew did their first full course trial from Putney to Mortlake today in 20 minutes, 50 seconds, a commendable effort on a fairly slack tide and against a strong head wind.

Although the time was not particularly good, it was a plucky effort by the crew, whose stroke, A. J. M. Cavenagh, has been leading them only a few days following the sudden illness of Charles, their regular stroke.

Cavenagh showed distinct racing possibilities and whipped up the crew to a fast rate of striking whenever necessary.

Oxford dealt effectively with the Royal Air Force crew, whom they left "two lengths behind" before reaching Beverly Brook, and with the Middlesex Bank crew whom they passed before the finishing post, although the Bank eight started a full length up.

Their best pacing came from the London Rowing Club's crew, who held their own well from Harrods to Chiswick, where Oxford were just a quarter of a length ahead.

Cavenagh took them away at nine, 10 and 36 in the first minute, and the mile post was reached in four minutes, 33 seconds, and Hammersmith Bridge in eight minutes, 11 seconds.

Some sluggishness

There was evidence of some sluggishness between times, when the rate dropped as low as 28, but Cavenagh got to 35 at Chiswick Steps, which was reached in 11 minutes, 44 seconds.

Again the rate dropped to 29, but increased to 32 between Diko's Meadows and Barnes Bridge, which was reached in 11 minutes, 17 seconds.

The crew put in a particularly strong finish at 36 to reach the finishing post in 20 minutes, 50 seconds.

Full marks must go to Cavenagh for his grit and command of the situation after only three days as stroke. Whether he had the stamina necessary to keep up a fast rate over a long distance remains to be seen, but he can certainly spur his crew at will.

It was an excellent row, having regard to all the circumstances—Reuter.

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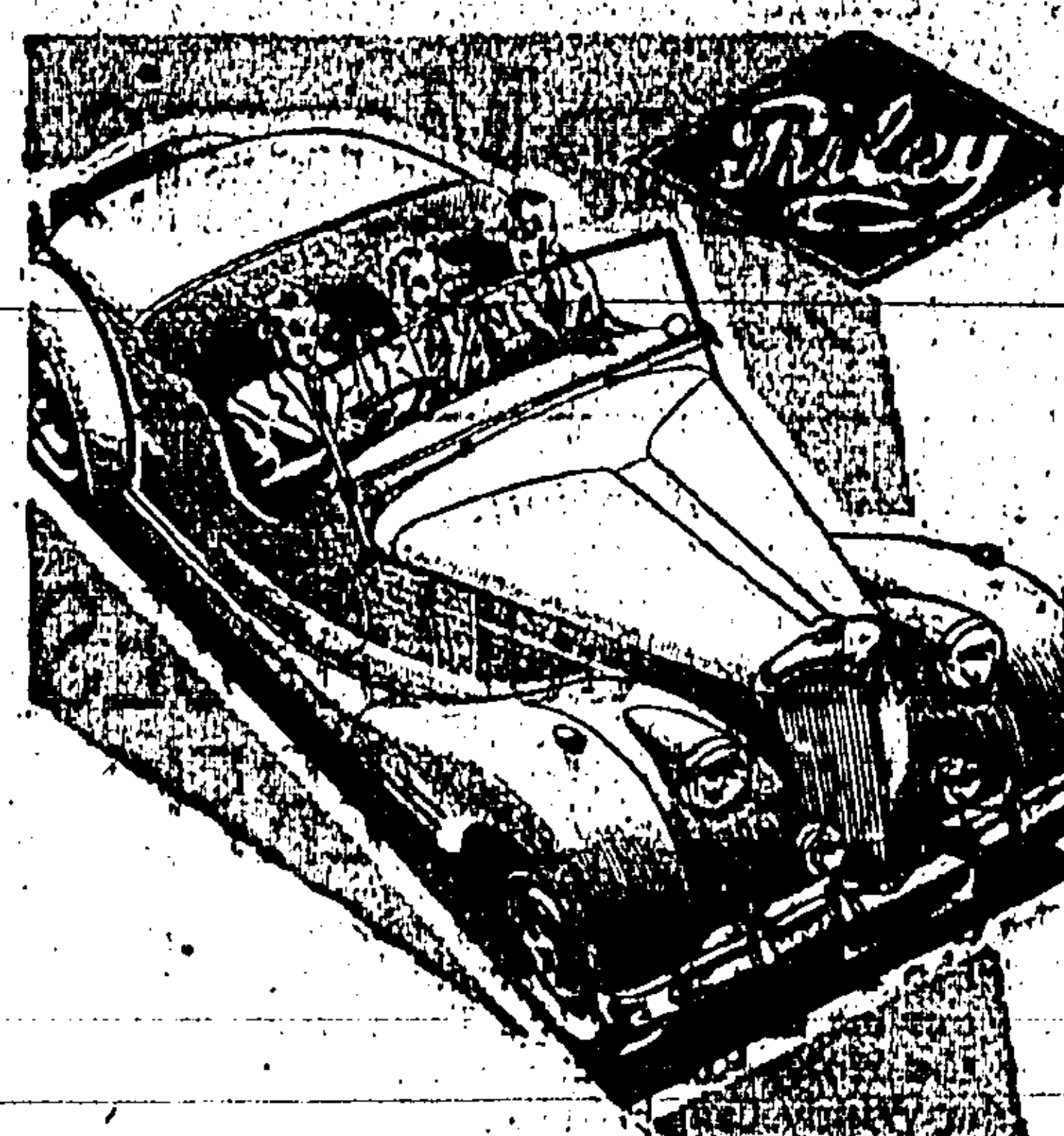
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